ROYAL COURT (Samedi Division)

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15th August, 1997

Before: F.C. Hamon, Esq., Deputy Bailiff, and Jurats Bonn and Gruchy.

The Attorney General

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Christopher Henry Hall

1 count of

receiving stolen property (count 1).

1 count of

obtaining property by false pretences (count 2).

1 count of

larceny (count 3).

1 count of

breaking and entering and larceny (count 4).

Breach of Probation Order imposed on 4th January, 1997.

[On 14th October, 1996:

the accused pleaded guilty in the Magistrate's Court to obtaining goods to the value of £96.03 by false pretences, breaking and entering and larceny, and larceny by finding, and was placed on Probation for 1 year with a condition that he attend the High Risk Offenders Group to run concurrently on each offence.

On 22nd November, 1996:

the accused admitted a breach of the Probation Order imposed on 14th October, 1996, after pleading guilty to a further count of larceny. The Magistrate imposed a three month Binding Over Order on the further count of larceny and ordered that the Probation Order should stand.

On 10th December, 1996:

the accused admitted a further breach of the Probation Order of 14th October, 1996, and a breach of the 3 month Binding Over Order of 22nd November, 1996, after pleading guilty to a further charge of larceny. The Magistrate imposed a 6 month Binding Over Order on the latest charge of larceny, discharged the 3 month Binding Over Order of 22nd November, 1996, and ordered that the Probation Order should stand.

On 4th January, 1997:

the accused admitted a further breach of the Probation Order. The Magistrate placed him on Probation for 1 year with a condition of 120 hours' Community Service and that the SMART course continue, and discharged the 6 month Binding Over Order of 10th December, 1996.]

Plea: Guilty.

Age: 23.

Details of Offence:

- (1) Received stolen cheque cards and cheques.
- (2) Obtained trainers worth approximately £60 with a stolen cheque.
- (3) Stole a jacket worth approximately £60.00.
- (4) Broke into a shop at 2.00 a.m. and stole cigarettes, etc. Seen exiting by police officers.

Details of Mitigation: None. (Had been drinking over several days).

Previous Convictions:

Numerous (8 pages). In recent years persistent breaches of Binding Over Orders and Probation Orders. Longest prison sentence served was 11/2 years but has had a number of shorter periods.

Conclusions:

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Count 1: 6 months' imprisonment.

Count 2: 9 months' imprisonment, consecutive. Count 3: 9 months' imprisonment, consecutive. Count 4: 9 months' imprisonment, consecutive.

All Probation Orders to be discharged.

Sentence and Observations of the Court:

Conclusions granted. Appalling record. Failed to respond to all remedial sentences.

A.J.N. Dessain, Esq., Crown Advocate.
Advocate B. Lacey for the accused.

JUDGMENT

THE DEPUTY BAILIFF: Motivation should come from within and there seems to be a total lack of it. You have an appalling record, a total contempt for society, and we find the conclusions absolutely right.

Hall, stand up, please. On count 1, you are sentenced to 6 months' imprisonment; on count 2, you are sentenced to 9 months' imprisonment, consecutive; on count 3, you are sentenced to 9 months' imprisonment, consecutive; and on count 4, you are sentenced to 9 months' imprisonment, consecutive. All Probation Orders are to be discharged.

No Authorities.