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Jail for woman who lied about Warrington rape

A NEWLYWED deaf woman who lied about being raped after a girl's night out has been jailed for two years.

Emma Watson, aged 32, of Fernhill Walk, St Helens, broke down in tears after the sentence after fabricating a 'rape' that supposedly occurred after a night out in Warrington town centre.

Liverpool Crown Court heard on Monday that Watson, who had only been married for six weeks, went out on November 7 of last year with girlfriends.

While out she met 20-year-old Ashley Harker, who is also profoundly deaf.

Prosecuting, Michael Stephenson said they returned to the home of Mr Harker's parents and had consensual sex.

"At some point she became distressed and this may be connected with the receipt of text messages from her husband expressing concern about her whereabouts," he said.

After crying rape to her partner and police, Watson repeated the allegation in court on November 17.

The court heard how she gave details of the attack, and even texted a cry for help to her parents, but on January 25 she admitted the claim was false and apologised for the accusation.

Judge Henry Globe QC said: "'Every false allegation of rape increases the plight of those women who are the victims of this dreadful crime.'

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0This is a disgusting crime and what makes it worse is the "alleged" attacker is often named by the media before there's been a conviction or in this case before the case has been proven to be a hoax. Women should be disgusted about this cause this will affect the young man for years to come and before she admitted to lying he most likely would've already been branded a rapist. This strengthens the Governments case for a ban on the media identifying "accused" males before a conviction has been gain which womens rights groups have been trying to block. Any women found out to be making false claims should recieve the same sentence as the male would've got would he have been convicted. It's hard enough for true rape victims to report thier attacker to the police without disgusting individuals like this woman making things harder. I hope this still affects her long after her sentence has been served like it will do with this young man, i seriously doubt it though. The attitude of the country as a whole needs to be changed and males recieve the same sort of compassion as females all though this will never happen because the feminists won't allow it to.

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0The woman is a disgrace, feel sorry for the poor bloke that had to go through the hassle of courts etc.

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0She should also go on th sex offenders register.for once a reasonable sentence (I would have prefered double, but we have got to the point where anything over 2 months is now considered long),well summed up by the judge. As well as hurting this innocent man,she risks the justice sought by genuine victims. as for Identity, I bet her Identity was protected while this poor man went through months of hell! there is no just reason why an accused of any crime should be revealed until found guilty

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