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Doubts lead to dropped rape charge

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Adam Jones, 30, of Aldermans Green Road, Coventry, has been in custody since July, but has always denied the rape, which happened in June.

Charges against him were formally dropped yesterday when Warwick Crown Court heard that his defence of consensual sex could be the truth.

Prosecutor Adrian Keeling told the court that they had always considered Mr Jones's defence to be "incredible".

But he added: "Information came to light at the weekend which has led the prosecution to come to the view that she (the victim) could not be put forward as a witness of truth."

He added that although Mr Jones's version of events had now been accepted, he was a member of the travelling community which had made it difficult to track him down after the allegation was made.

David Riley, defending, said his client had given himself up voluntarily to police by arrangement with his solicitor and then given officers a full account of his side of the encounter, which the prosecution now accepts "could very well be true".

Judge James Pyke formally entered a not guilty verdict and granted Mr Jones a defendant's cost order.

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