



False rape sentencing

A woman who made false rape claims has been sentenced to 16 weeks in custody suspended for a year at Carlisle Magistrate court.

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False rape claim woman sentenced

A, 18-year-old woman who lied to police about being raped has been sentenced to 16-weeks in custody, suspended for 1-year. Ms Takara Jayne Harding appeared before Carlisle Magistrates and pleaded guilty to wasting police time. Harding told police she was raped in a lane near the viaduct

The court was told that the allegation of rape caused over 500-hours of police time being wasted. On sentencing Ms Harding was told this was an alleged serious crime and justified a custodial sentence, it had a huge impact on young girls in the city and caused a lot of publicity,

As well as the suspended sentence she was put on a one-year community order, and must complete 100-hours of un-paid work in the community, and a supervision order for 6-months, she has to pay court costs of £85. The chairman of the bench noted that there was a lack of remorse shown from Harding.

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