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BAILIFF: ..... and as you well know, was a stupid and foolish act, particularly in supplying to this unknown man whom you have not chosen to name to the police and that told very much against you when we came to consider our conclusion and our decision. You have not been totally frank with the police which you should have been however, we have taken into account the fact that you probably were under the influence of this man, Brown, whom you would be well advised not to see again but that is a matter for you and having regard to all the matters in the probation report and to what your counsel has said, as an exception to our general rule that offences of this nature generally carry with them prison sentences, we are going to exercise mercy in this particular case because of the background and the fact that we think that you can be trusted to make a better life for yourself and to break away from this habit and indeed, if your friends persist in this habit, you must break away from them. As your counsel has said, you must learn to stand on your feet, think for yourself and not just follow the crowd. And therefore we are going to put you on probation in respect of all the counts but we are going to order you the maximum we can to serve 240 hours of Community Service and we hope that you will not come before us again but I want to make it quite clear that the Probation Order is on the usual terms, that is you will live and work as directed by your probation officer, that you will come up for sentence whenever required so to do and that you will be of good behaviour during this time and as regards being of good behaviour I must make it clear, this is your last chance as far as this Court is concerned. If you come up to this Court again for offences of this nature, you must expect a prison sentence.