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1. On or about 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022 my near neighbour Robert Agostini of #24 Shrub House Close approached me and asked if I could drive him to Bury St Edmunds to collect some items, we stopped at a small convenience store in Bury St Edmunds while Robert used the ATM cash machine outside. I was very close by and called across to Robert asking if he could afford to lend me £10.00 as I was short of a few things in my kitchen, eggs for one.
2. Robert and I have known each other for quite some time, long before he moved into #24 Shrub House Close and as far back as March 2009 when we were then neighbours in Honington, Suffolk. Robert lived at Borley Close, Honington and I resided on Troston Road, Honington. My then rear garden backed onto the front left side of Robert's then front garden.

28<sup>th</sup> July 2022

1. Four days before ESA DWP Payment, I am running low on electricity credit, I have no funds in my bank, all I have is a five pound note left from the £10.00 I loaned from Robert the day before.
2. I do have food but have been using an electric heater because of the prohibitive cost of heating fuel I have no fuel oil for the boiler which has been 'decommissioned' for safety reasons. It's fuel oil tank and being empty, health and safety 'thing'...
3. I have very little fuel in my car, barely enough to get to the Esso service station on Field Road, Mildenhall and because of that I instead initially go to the Londis Franchise at 10 Holmsey Green and attempt to buy £5.00 electricity credit with the last of my cash.
4. The cashier applies the requested £5.00 electricity credit using the Franchise Pay Point facility, this is a non transaction fee system for paying council tax, utilities bills, fines etc.
5. The cashier then asks me for £5.40.
6. Unhappy with being charged for the free Pay Point service I request the cashier to cancel the transaction, having not then yet handed over my last £5.00 in cash I explained that the five pound note was all I had and could not pay the surcharge applied by the Franchisee for the free Pay Point transaction.
7. I left the Londis Franchise on 10 Holmsey Green and believing that I still needed electricity credit travelled to the Esso service station on Field Road, Mildenhall that is ALSO a Londis Franchise with a Pay Point facility. Once at the Londis Franchise on Field Road I then purchased £5.00 electricity credit and was charged ONLY the £5.00 for that electricity credit.

8. 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022

9. A number of police officers (including ARV unit) attend my property and I am arrested on suspicion of theft from Londis at 10 Holmsey Green and suspicion of public order offence.
10. The Londis Franchisee at 10 Holmsey Green had reported theft of electricity in preference over cancelling the transaction that had the Franchisee additional surcharge applied to a non transaction fee service.
11. The public order offence is alleged to have taken place on or about 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022 the evening I gave Robert Agostini of #24 Shrub House Close transport to Bury St Edmunds. As we were leaving I stopped at my front door I turned to lock it. When I had done so and begun to move away from my front door I realised Robert Agostini had already reached my car.
12. We had been in conversation for some time in my Kitchen, as we left we were still in conversation so when I realised he was almost thirty metres away standing by the passenger door of my car I raised my voice so I could still be heard and still talking to him, approached and got into the driver side of my car and we drove off.
13. Apparently that is the public order offence. A discussion with a friend and near neighbour.
14. I asked Robert about this a few weeks later, neither he or I at any time in that brief distance between my front door and my car, had seen anyone else in the car park at the front of our properties or any other properties around where my car was parked.

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

1. For a few days previously I had been planning a trip to my home county in West Sussex. Primarily to visit my sister, our father died on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and probate had been granted, a letter of administration leaves instruction that there was a discussion I need to have with my sister.
2. Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 I am looking up availability of hotels in West Sussex since my sister does not have room for my service companion and myself. My DWP PIP is paid at midnight and I cover my utilities payments among other things and go to bed around 2am.
3. Late morning Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September I spend time through late morning into early afternoon preparing for a long trip and a few days away. I gather paperwork I will need, service companion travel cage and provisions for her, make a flask of tea... No snacks.
4. I cannot stop in Mildenhall 'on the way', I will have my service companion with me. She does not come with me into food stores for any kind of grocery shopping even if just snacks for a journey. She cannot be left alone in a vehicle. She is a bird. She must remain at home. This involves a trip into Mildenhall and then back home to collect my service companion THEN start out again.
5. Retuning home from 'snack hunting' to collect my service companion and pack the car...
6. The Londis on Homsey Green is approximately 150 yards from my home, I do not use it for a number of reasons as close as it is unless for the Pay Point services and then ONLY if I am using cash. I do now recall a previous instance very early on in perhaps 2015 I had not long

taken up residence at 22 Shrub House Close, almost identical to this except then the transaction was cancelled, there was no report of alleged theft.

7. I turn right off The Street onto Holmsey Green, I must pass the Londis store, it is directly on my route to and from my home at 22 Shrub House Close. Turning right off The Street onto Holmsey Green ends within 150 yards is another junction, that 'section' of Holmsey Green is the location of the Londis Franchise at 10 Holmsey Green.
8. <https://goo.gl/maps/GhNUKhxGGbzoww2V9>
9. As I wait at this junction the Franchisee in a Black Range Rover stops to my right and calls across to me sitting in my open convertible:
10. “You stole five pounds off me!”
11. I attempted to negotiate the withdrawal of the alleged theft to the police in exchange for the £5.00 he continues to allege I “stole” and still attempting to apply surcharge for a non transaction fee service.
12. “You give me £5.50!”
13. <https://youtu.be/EL2Qxy02bag?t=70>
14. After some tense discussion the Franchisee exited his vehicle still stationary beside my vehicle and snatches the £20.00 note I was holding in my right hand having offered to pay the £5.00 in exchange for £15.00 in change, returned to his vehicle and moved off to park in front of the Londis Franchise.
15. The Franchisee of the Londis on 10 Holmsey Green then enter the store and remained there for quite some time.
16. I parked my car in front of the store, got out and went into the store to speak to the Franchisee who was standing behind the counter and CoVID19 screen on the telephone. I advised him I was in the car park at the front of the store and that I needed the £15.00 change from the £20.00 he had snatched from me on the highway out front of the store.
17. As I left the store to return to my vehicle the Franchisee's father had exited the black Range Rover parked at the front gates of the Franchise and had approached me angrily shouting: “You're a thief! You are an Arsehole!” among some other very 'choice' expressions one or two of which may not even have come from him.
18. I initially responded to this verbal onslaught with attempt to protest my innocence and calm the man down, however the Franchisee father simply became more agitated so I retreated to my vehicle (which is where the police found me, still parked at the front of the store).
19. The police arrived (the telephone call the Franchisee was making when I entered to advise him I was still outside waiting for my £15.00 change from £20.00 he had snatched from my hand in the street)
20. One officer approached me, the other PC 37 1654 FEENEY entered the store. I was asked to explain what had happened, being able to point to locations I explained to the officer that the Franchisee had taken £20.00 from me and was refusing to give me £15.00 change, even then

still wanting to apply his surcharge for the use of a free utilities and services transaction with Pay Point.

21. I was arrest for an alleged public order offence and was also arrested on suspicion of possession of cannabis after stating to PC 37 1654 FEENEY that I had cannabis in my possession and that the cannabis is prescribed medication.
22. During the arrest PC 37 1654 FEENEY attempted to coerce me into accepting £14.50 change from £20.00 snatched angrily from my hand by the Franchisee offered in payment of a £5.00 Pay Point non transaction fee service using cash on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

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