

**IN THE COUNTY COURT AT NORWICH**

**Claim Number: G01NR161**

**B E T W E E N:**

**FLAGSHIP HOUSING GROUP LIMITED**

**Claimant**

**- and -**

**MR MICHAEL BURDETTE-DEAKIN**

**Defendant**

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**WITNESS STATEMENT OF NICK BUNN**

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I, Nick Bunn, of Flagship Housing Group Limited, 31 King Street, Norwich NR1 1PD will say as follows:


1. I am an Safe Communities Manager employed by the Claimant. I make this statement in support of this contempt application against the Defendant, Mr Michael Burdette-Deakin.
2. The facts set out within this Witness Statement are within my own knowledge or based on information given to me by colleagues, or other professionals, or persons living in the locality of the Property and which I believe to be true.
3. I refer below to a series of emails, which are attached to this witness statement as exhibit NB1.
4. On 29 July 2022 I was contacted by Vicki Catchpole, of NSFT, who informed me that the Defendant would be referred for a mental health assessment. At that time, I was told by Vicki that the Defendant was in custody.

5. On 1 August 2022 Sgt Benton of Suffolk Police informed my colleague, Pete Sharples, that the Defendant had been arrested on 29 July 2022 for an alleged theft from a local store and an alleged public order offence against his neighbour, Dawn Mackender. The Defendant denied both offences. Sgt Benton also informed Pete Sharples that on 30 July 2022 the Defendant had been given a mental health assessment, that he engaged with professionals, denied he was hearing voices or was unwell, had no intention of carrying out his suicide threat (and had only made this threat out of frustration with the Claimant).
6. On 4 August 2022 Vicki Catchpole informed me that the Defendant had been offered a referral to Bury North Community Mental Health Team, but he declined this offer.

#### **STATEMENT OF TRUTH**

I believe that the facts stated in this Witness Statement are true. I understand that proceedings for contempt of Court may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief in its truth.

Signed

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**NICK BUNN**

Dated

..... 18.08.2022 .....