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True stories

Dad pays £8k for sons' graffiti spree

Two brothers responsible for a £225,000 graffiti spree involving railway property and other buildings were given three year ASBOs and banned from carrying paints and markers.

Adam (17) and Alex Davies (15) were also told to pay compensation of £5,000 and £3,000 respectively. The £8,000 compensation was paid by their dad.

British Transport Police said: "This is a warning to parents to act on any suspicions about their children being involved in any illegal activity. If not it could be a very expensive oversight."



3 year sentence for metal bar on track

A 16-year-old boy was sentenced to three years youth custody for putting a metal bar on a busy railway track near a large railway station.

The boy was seen crossing the track and putting a metal bar on one of the rails.

The bar turned out to be the metal handle of a pallet-mover and was heavy enough to have caused a train derailment.

Railway crime can be costly – for you and yours

If you commit railway crime you risk getting a custodial sentence. Even if you're not sent down it can be expensive for your parents or carers and harm your job prospects. If you have a criminal record some jobs are almost impossible to get – armed forces, police and teaching to name but a few.



Teenagers jailed for rock attack

17 year old Daniel Ratcliffe and 19 year old Kevin Clee were jailed after causing horrific facial injuries to freight train driver, Joe Paxton, when they dropped a rock weighing 45 pounds off a railway bridge.

The rock knocked out the driver when smashed through the windscreen of the train that was travelling at 50mph and carrying 1,700 tonnes of steel.

Ratcliffe was ordered to be detained for seven and half years and Clee for six years for the offence which could have easily killed Joe Paxton.

The judge in sentencing the two friends said that others who acted in a similar way would also receive 'substantial punishment'.

Pair jailed for nearly killing train driver

13 years for teenage thugs who hurled masonry at train window

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