

Sharon's story

Sharon has been concerned about her son Joe for over a year. He had met a girl at university and says she noticed some strange behaviour in the girl but at the time said nothing.

This has all come to a head when Joe decided it was best they split up, his girlfriend lost control and started to lash out at him hitting and scratching him. Joe defended himself by pushing the girl away after receiving bruising, scratches to his face and a bleeding eye, all later documented by his GP.

Joe escaped and called the police, and then accompanied them back to the halls of residence, whereupon they found that friends had called an ambulance and the girlfriend was falsely saying that he had attacked her. He was arrested by the police and was released on bail, having been charged with ABH.

The girlfriend, meanwhile, has taken matters further by making false allegations to the university and consequently Joe, as part of his bail conditions, must have no contact with her.