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Warning after blaze spreads to barn



WARNING ISSUED: A fire spread to a barn in Pilcox Hall Lane, Tendring

Picture: Essex County Fire and Rescue Service

FIREFIGHTERS have issued a warning about bonfires and using incinerators after a fire spread to a barn in Tendring. Two crews from Clacton were called to Pilcox Hall Lane at about 9.15am on Monday. Crews evacuated people from nearby homes and put out the fire by 10.30am. An investigation found

the blaze started after an incinerator fire spread to a nearby barn, which was completely destroyed. Firefighters have now issued advice following a rise in outdoor incidents, including another in an outbuilding in Coppins Road, Clacton, on Tuesday at 4.25pm. The incinerator fire, which

caused damage to the roof space, was extinguished by 5.10pm. Watch manager Jim Bowyer said: "We've seen a rise in outdoor fires, we would urge people using incinerators to only use them away from flammable items like barns, sheds and fences and to have a hose or water bucket nearby."

Man convicted in child cruelty case

'Lenient' sentence condemned after injury

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A MUM has condemned the "lenient" sentence given to a man who hurt her baby.

Jordan Brazitis, 24, from Kirby Cross, was convicted of three counts of grievously bodily harm and one count of child cruelty at Chelmsford Crown Court.

The charges were in relation to a series of injuries sustained by a baby who was 11 weeks old at the time.

Brazitis was ordered to serve a 16-month prison sentence, but it was suspended for two years.

He will also have to carry out 300 hours of unpaid work and complete 40 days of rehabilitation activities.

He was also ordered to pay costs totalling £670.

The mother of the child has said the impact Brazitis' actions have had on both her life and her son's future are hard to comprehend.

Speaking anonymously, she said: "It is impossible for anyone to truly understand the effects his crime has had on mine and my child's life.

"My tiny, little baby could not defend himself or make the pain



CHILD CRUELTY: Jordan Brazitis, from Kirby Cross

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Baby's mother

he will have is why did this happen to him, but this is a question I will never be able to answer."

The heartbroken mother, who says her son had to undergo numerous X-rays and blood tests, has been left disgusted by the decision to not jail Brazitis.

She has slammed the judicial system for not giving Brazitis a harsher punishment and said she has been left insulted by the lenient sentence.

"I do not think the punishment is sufficient and I think he deserves to serve time behind bars for the pain he put my son through," she said.

"A suspended sentence is merely a slap on the wrist.

"My son was put through immense suffering but it seems that doesn't matter.

"He is just another statistic."

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"He had nine of his bones broken by him.

"I cannot even bear to think about how this happened but the thought of this makes me feel physically sick.

"A tiny, defenceless baby being made to suffer, for what?"

"I don't know how it will impact him mentally but I can only imagine it will cause him serious distress.

"The most important question