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Newport Man Admits to Supplying Heroin and Cocaine Across the City

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A man from Newport is facing a lengthy prison sentence after admitting to multiple drug offences involving heroin and cocaine.

Lawrence Henson, aged 32, has pleaded guilty to a series of serious charges linked to the trafficking of Class A drugs in the city. He appeared before Newport Magistrates' Court and was remanded in custody as the case now moves to the Crown Court for sentencing.

Henson, of Ringland Circle, admitted to being in possession of heroin and crack cocaine with the intent to supply. He also confessed to being involved in the supply of crack cocaine and to supplying cocaine. According to court documents, the offences were committed between November 10, 2024, and July 22 of this year.

Court Sentencing Ahead

Following his guilty pleas, Henson will be sentenced at the Crown Court on August 20. Until then, he remains in custody as the judicial process continues.

The charges reflect a wider concern over drug activity in the Newport area, with authorities under increasing pressure to clamp down on the distribution of Class A substances. Heroin and cocaine continue to fuel crime and anti-social behaviour in communities across South Wales, and this case is likely to be seen as a significant step in the ongoing fight against organised drug supply networks.

Henson's case is the latest in a string of prosecutions aimed at addressing the harm caused by illicit drugs in the region. The timeframe of the offences suggests a sustained period of illegal activity, which will likely be taken into account during sentencing.

No additional details were provided during the brief hearing at the magistrates' court, but the gravity of the offences means the crown court will now determine the appropriate punishment. Class A drug supply offences carry a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, although actual sentencing depends on the case's circumstances and any mitigating factors presented.

The court process remains ongoing, with further updates expected following the sentencing later this month.