

# Exeter terrorist attacker Nicky Reilly jailed for attack on nurses in psychiatric unit

From the [terrorist attack in Exeter](#) has attacked staff at Broadmoor in protest at a change to group prayers.

Nicky Reilly, from Plymouth, attempted to blow up the Giraffe restaurant in Exeter city centre in 2008 but his homemade device detonated in the toilet. Information released after his guilty plea revealed that Reilly was obsessed with martyrdom and wanted to cause as much death and injury as possible. Reilly, who has Aspergers Syndrome, converted to Islam at a mosque in Plymouth at the age of 16.

The 30-year-old , who has changed his name to Mohammad Rashid Said-Alim in reference to the 9/11 suicide bombers, was the only person injured in the blast.

Reilly, along with fellow convert Elliott Swadling, 26, assaulted two male nurses at the psychiatric hospital. The pair burst into the staff room at the high-security unit shouting "Allahu akbar" before injuring the workers. One was scarred near the eye after being cut with a DVD shard.

Reilly was sentenced to 16 months in jail after admitting the assault while Swadling was given 14 months.