

Judge criticises police and social services as sex offenders jailed

The latest tranche of Muslim rape gang merchants go down. Except 2 of them have absconded. From the Bradford newspaper the [Telegraph and Argus](#) and [BBC Yorkshire](#)

A judge has strongly criticised social services and the police for failing vulnerable young girls who fell victim to sexual exploitation by Asian grooming gangs in Keighley in the 1990s.

Speaking at Bradford Crown Court, His Honour Judge Ahmed Nadim said social services and the police were “ill-equipped” to understand that underage girls were being groomed at street level or were “disinterested” in addressing their needs.

He said: “To different degrees the social services and the policing responses to the situation that the [victims] found themselves in was that they were the authoresses of their misfortune.”

He described how the girls were plied with drugs and alcohol as they were passed between numerous men, **“virtually all of whom were of Asian heritage”**, (*He can say that, he also has a Pakistani/Bangladeshi name*) in the town in the 1990s, when they were in their early teens.



Judge Nadim also related how a relative of the victim went to Keighley police station on a number of occasions to report her and another girl missing “but the police did not do anything about it”.

His excoriating comments came following the conclusion of a trial at which Ibrar Hussain and brothers Imtiaz and Fayaz Ahmed, all from Keighley, were convicted of raping the vulnerable young girl when she was in her early teens.

Ibrar Hussain, 47, of Mornington Street, received six-and-a-half years for each of two rapes, to be served concurrently.

Imtiaz Ahmed, 62, of Glen Ghyll, Dawson Road, was given nine years for a single offence of rape.

Fayaz Ahmed, 45, of Devonshire Street, got seven-and-a-half years for each of two rapes, to be served concurrently.

Hussain, who sat in the dock wearing a blue sweatshirt and grey joggers, was the only defendant present in person as both Ahmed brothers are known to have absconded abroad. Their location is unknown.

Five other men were jailed last year for their involvement. Reporting restrictions on the case have now been lifted, meaning details can be published.

October 20, 2023 ... five other men received the following sentences:

- Amreaz Asghar 47 of Keighley was jailed for 4 and a half years for rape
- Perwaz Asghar 50 of Nottingham was jailed for 6 and a half years for two indecent assaults
- Mohammed Din 47 of Keighley was jailed for 14 years for 11 counts of rape
- Sajid Mahmood Khan 45 of Keighley was jailed for 3 years for rape.
- Zehroon Razak 47 of Keighley was jailed for 6 and a half years for rape

Judge Nadim said the brothers were introduced to the victim through a couple who “exercised control” over her.

“They put her out to work as a sex worker,” he told the court.

The victim said she was “plied with drugs and alcohol to numb the abuse”. Giving evidence at trial, she recalled one instance where men had been “queuing up” in the corridor of a flat to have sex with her. She said she was “groomed”, then “passed on to other men”, and later became addicted to alcohol and drugs, which she used as a “coping mechanism”.

Mitigating, Jayne Beckett said Hussain, who later served time in jail for drug offences, was now married with children and was a “very, very, very different man” who was involved with his local mosque and school.

Judge Nadim told Hussain his crimes had “come back to haunt you and those who hold you in great affection . . . Messages must go out loud and clear that the criminal justice system will do all it can to protect the young and vulnerable members

of our community.”

Hussain smiled and waved at his family members in the public gallery before he was taken away to begin his sentence.

The court heard Imtiaz Ahmed was believed to be 35 and married with children when he raped the girl at a vacant flat above a shop owned by his family. Judge Nadim said his “pretence of being a family and community man was nothing more than a mere pretence”.

After sentencing the three men, Judge Nadim said he hoped the sentences gave the victims “comfort of knowing that their voices at long last have been heard . . . They have had to tread a painful and arduous path. I commend them both for their courage and steadfastness,”