

**PRISON-DEATH DEMONSTRATION
WEDNESDAY 18 OCTOBER 2006
HMP & YOI EASTWOOD PARK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

Report

1. Demonstration (19th) was to protest against the death of Lisa Ann Woodhall, 28, who died in the 'care' of Eastwood Park Prison on 08.10.06.
2. About 15 protesters attended - from London, Shropshire, Cheshire, etc.
3. Event covered by local radio stations; newspapers; protest also attended by ITV Central/West.
4. Prison staff were asked to take a note into the prison, for the Governor, but refused.
5. 1.50 pm: Reliance prison van halted as it attempted to take prisoners into the jail.
6. Police were summoned to the prison; officers from Avon & Somerset Constabulary arrived at 2.15 pm.
7. 2.27 pm: I was arrested (13th arrest) for "aggravated trespass on Crown property", and taken to Staple Hill Police Station, Bristol.
8. Arrived at police station: 2.45 pm, and locked in police cell (detention authorised 3.40 pm).
9. Photos, fingerprints and DNA samples were taken; I voiced my objection, as a matter of principle, to mouth swabs being taken by a police officer, on the grounds that taking body samples from any orifice should be done by a nurse or doctor, not a police officer.
10. Duty solicitor attended the police station, in whose presence I was formally interviewed (on tape).
11. At approximately midnight, I was charged (third time I've been charged since 2004) on two counts, and granted unconditional bail to appear in Northavon Magistrates' Court, Kennedy Way, Yate, Bristol, BS27 4PY, on Thursday 2 November 2006, 9.30 am.
12. The nature of the body search was such that I found it demeaning, a comment which I have not previously made. I was released from custody at 12.04 am, Thursday 19 October 2006, feeling psychologically abused. Arrived back in Cheshire: 2.45 am, 19.10.06. Friend returning in the same car, Gloucestershire to Cheshire, (a nurse: RGN) said I was in shock.

Charges

(1) Obstruct/disrupt person engaged in a lawful activity

On 18.10.2006 at HMP Eastwood Park, Falfield in the Commission Area of Avon, having trespassed on land in the open air, namely HMP Eastwood Park, Falfield, and in relation to a lawful activity, namely transporting prisoners, which persons were engaged in on that land, did an act, namely blocking the road, which you intended to have the effect of obstructing that activity.

CONTRARY TO SECTION 68(1) AND (3) OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC ORDER ACT 1994. H.O. 125/33 Local None CJS CJ94015

(2) Aggravated trespass - fail to leave land

On 18.10.2006 at Falfield in the Commission Area of Avon, knowing that a direction applicable to you had been given under section 69(1) of the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 to leave land, namely Church Avenue, Falfield, failed to leave the land as soon as practicable.

CONTRARY TO SECTION 69(3)(A) OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC ORDER ACT 1994. H.O. 125/34 Local 186J CJS CJ94017

Comment

I will repeat the comments made to the charging officer in response to the above charges. The comments were made in the presence of my solicitor and have been officially logged:
(1) Obstruct/disrupt person engaged in a lawful activity: "I feel I am being made a political scapegoat".
(2) Aggravated trespass - fail to leave land: "Women prisoners dying at the hands of the State is a disgrace in the 21st century."

Pauline Campbell

[Bereaved mother of Sarah Elizabeth Campbell, 18, who died in the 'care' of HMP and YOI Styal, 2003]

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