## Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Mental Health NHS Trust

Past medical history:

Simon said he had Crohn's disease as a child. He denied any other physical health problems.

## **Current medications**

Nil.

## Personal/family history- information taken from previous assessments/reports

Mr Cordell was born at Chase Farm Hospital. He has a younger brother and sister. Mr Cordell says he knows his maternal grandmother attempted suicide on a number of occasions and had had admissions to mental hospital. Mr Cordell's father worked as a union representative and his mother ran her own computer company. His parents recently divorced.

Mr Cordell says he did not get on well with his father who was a violent man. He was violent towards Mr Cordell, Mr Cordell's mother and siblings. Mr Cordell left home at the age of fifteen and was homeless for a while. He was placed in to care after stealing a pint of milk. He was placed in a series of children's care homes around the UK, but says that each time he would steal a car and drive back to London.

Mr Cordell said he was pushed hard to achieve at school by his father and that he was "an A-star student" for most of the time. He says he was intelligent and would do the work at other times and as a result would often just "mess about" in class. He went on to college and studied engine mechanics, completing a city & guilds qualification. After leaving school he went on to get jobs in the construction industry.

Mr Cordell says he has tried to build himself up a business for providing party entertainment. At the moment he says he is not able to earn from this due to the restrictions of his bail.

Mr Cordell has had two long term relationships. First relationship lasted for thirteen years. Mr Cordell thinks they broke up due to the repeated involvement of the police in their lives and the stress this has caused. He is currently in a relationship with Katy and he said that they were expecting a baby.

Mr Cordell says he does not smoke tobacco and does not drink alcohol.