

Press release: Predatory paedophile has his sentence increased by 3 years

Abingdon man who used fake online profiles to abuse children has his sentence increased by the Court of Appeal.

An Abingdon man who was using fake online profiles to abuse children has his sentence increased by the Court of Appeal following a referral under the Unduly Lenient Sentence scheme.

Alex Orr, 27, pleaded guilty to 16 offences against children including extreme pornography and arranging the commission of a child sex offence. Orr received a 6 year custodial term and a 4 year extended licence when he appeared at Oxford Crown Court in January. Today this sentence was increased to 9 years' imprisonment with a 4 year extension.

Orr created a fake Facebook profile and tricked young teenagers into performing sexual acts for him to view online. He also incited his victims to engage in sexual activity with other children, including one who was just 1 or 2 years' old.

Speaking after the hearing, the Attorney General Jeremy Wright QC MP said:

"This offender deceived a large number of young victims and manipulated them into doing unspeakable acts, resulting in serious psychological harm.

"Just because these crimes were committed from behind a screen doesn't make them any less serious. I hope the increased sentence shows how seriously the Courts take these matters."