Incident of 15 March 2018

On Thursday, 15th March 2018, my wife and I took our 3-year-old daughter to school and as we came out of the block, we saw the Defendant standing outside the main entrance to Block 109-117 Burncroft Avenue. As we walked towards my car, the Defendant followed us swearing and shouting abuse at us. I could not remember the Defendant's exact words but there were lots of swearing words like 'fucking family, fucking bastards' and lots of 'bad words'. As we got in his car, the Defendant walked back towards the block. As I went to drive out, I saw the Defendant standing by the main door to the block and videoing me and my family with his mobile phone and swearing and shouting abuse at us. I got out of his car, brought out my mobile phone and started to video the Defendant who continued swearing. I stopped videoing Mr Cordell and turned to get back inside my car but the Defendant pushed me to the ground from behind. The Defendant sat on top of me and started to punch me on the face and repeatedly banged my head on the ground. After a while, I managed to push him off.

6. I then went to my car to get something to defend myself and picked a piece of metal from my boot but I decided against using it, the Defendant rushed at me again and punched me in the face and I fell backwards to the ground. The Defendant then sat on my chest and started to punch me repeatedly on the face. By this time, my wife and daughter were crying and my wife was screaming for neighbours to help but nobody came out. My wife tried to pull Mr Cordell off him as I was not able to defend myself but she could not. She then grabbed the piece of metal from my boot and hit the Defendant with it as self- defence to stop him. Some neighbours come out of their flat after a while and the Defendant got off me and went into his flat. By then I was bleeding profusely on my lips and forehead and both my wife and I called the police and ambulance service.