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OAP set fire to own flat after being 'laughed' at

COURT REPORTER

A pensioner deliberately torched his Perth flat because he was "sick of people laughing at him".

Seventy-six-year-old Malcolm Wilson caused £15,000 worth of damage to the Feus Road property during the incident.

Residents had to flee from the smoke-filled building after the fire alarm went off.



Two other neighbours also banged on the accused's door to check if he was inside.

Wilson was later found by police in Wellshill Cemetery where he told them: "I've been waiting for you".

The accused was spared a jail term when he appeared for sentence on Wednesday.

Instead, he had a community payback order imposed as a "direct alternative" — and will be supervised for 20 months.

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MUM CAMPAIGNS FOR CHANGE IN LAW

PROTECT UNBORN VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Brave Nicola wants justice for women who lose a child because of abusive partners



For Brodie Nicola is fighting for change after losing her son in 2017

ROBBIE CHALMERS

A Perthshire mum is campaigning for stronger laws to protect women who have lost unborn children as a result of domestic abuse.

Nicola Murray (43) was once deemed at risk of harm by a women's aid charity, which described her as "an absolute shell" when she arrived for help and said they felt she was suffering from PTSD.

But now brave Nicola wants to use her experiences to help others and has set up a petition to introduce an Unborn Victims of Violence Act to create a specific offence to "enable the judiciary to adequately prosecute perpetrators".

She has dubbed it 'Brodie's Law' in memory of one child she lost.

Nicola said: "Currently, if a perpetrator of domestic violence causes a miscarriage, still birth or forces a woman to terminate her pregnancy against her will, they cannot be adequately prosecuted.

"The government should create a specific offence that enables courts to hand down much harsher sentences in such cases."

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