# Two men charged over sword and baseball bat assault in Craigavon



A 70-year-old man and his 28-year-old son have been ordered to stand trial at Craigavon Magistrates Court, facing charges related to an alleged assault involving a sword and a baseball bat. Both individuals, Stephen Wilson and Joseph Wilson, appeared together in the dock, where they confirmed their awareness of the charges against them. The court proceedings are ongoing, and further details regarding the incident and the specific charges have not been disclosed at this time.

This case adds to a series of recent incidents in Northern Ireland involving assaults with weapons such as baseball bats and swords. For instance, in July 2024, a man in his 30s was arrested in County Down on suspicion of attempted murder after allegedly attacking another man with what was believed to be a sword, resulting in facial and arm injuries to the victim. Additionally, in January 2025, two individuals were arrested in Craigavon after reports of a group armed with a knife and baseball bat making threats in the Drumgor area.

The prevalence of such incidents has raised concerns about public safety and the use of weapons in disputes. Authorities continue to investigate these cases, urging the public to report any information that may assist in their inquiries.

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