

Taking a strategic approach

EWCA Crim 2253 and *R v Dickinson* [2005]
2 CR APP R (S) 488.

When the offender has been found guilty of breaching an order, and before sentencing, the court may take reports from the local authority or police and any applicant agency. The court should also consider the original reasons for the making of the order.

A copy of the court order (ASBO) as granted (including any maps and details of any prohibitions) can be put before the court during breach proceedings as evidence that an order has been made without the need for a statement formally proving that an order was made. This provision was introduced by SOCPA 2005 on 1 July 2005.