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Boys' choir founder admits indecent assault

The founder of a prestigious boys' choir has admitted indecently assaulting a 14-year-old boy.

Adrian Jessett, 53, who was also the musical director of the Manchester Boys' Choir, pleaded guilty at the city's Minshull Street Crown Court to eight counts of indecent assault on the same youngster.

All the offences took place between 1996 and 2000 at Jessett's home or in his car.

Jessett, of Heaton Moor, Stockport, Greater Manchester, pleaded not guilty to one count of rape and three other counts of indecent assault.

Prosecuting, Rowena Goode said the Crown would not proceed to trial on the not guilty pleas and would offer no evidence.

Defence barrister Ahmed Nadim said: "The defendant admits he was involved in acts of indecent assault that numbered in total to not more than 20."

The court was told that the charges on the indictment were

sample charges.

Judge Barry Woodward adjourned the hearing until March 27 for the preparation of pre-sentence reports.

After he was arrested on suspicion of indecently assaulting a child, Jessett resigned as master of the choir, which is part of Manchester Council's Education Department.

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