Chigwell rabbi 'hit on head with concrete brick', court hears

From the <u>charged with wounding with intent to cause grievous</u> <u>bodily harm</u>.

The pair, both of Tudor Crescent, are also charged with robbery and religiously aggravated criminal damage. *Tudor Crescent is west off the main road through that part of Chigwell, the synagogue is in a street off it east. Maybe 2 minutes walk apart, in a nice, leafy, tree-lined suburb.* Prosecutors allege that the two defendants walked into the road causing Mr Goodwin, who was driving, to brake.

They allege that one said "he's a Jew", before the complainant's car was kicked multiple times, causing the passenger side wing mirror to snap off. The court heard that Mr Goodwin got out of his vehicle and was punched multiple times in the face until he fell to the floor then struck on the back of the head with a concrete brick.

Both men were remanded in custody to appear before Chelmsford Crown Court for a plea hearing on June 16.