

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE COOK ISLANDS
HELD AT RAROTONGA
(CRIMINAL DIVISION)**

CR NO. 364/17

POLICE

V

NGATUPUNA TEINAKITAMA

Date: 1 June 2018
Appearances: Ms K Bell for the Crown
Mr N George for the Defendant
Decision: 1 June 2018

DECISION OF HUGH WILLIAMS, CJ

[11:17:22]

[1] Mr Teinakitama, you have heard me talking to the lawyers about this. Possession of a utensil in these circumstances might turn out to be a reasonably modest offence. But you are facing these burglaries, if you get convicted of the burglaries and need to be sentenced on those and on this, this assumes a much more serious aspect.

[2] So what I am going to do is I will simply adjourn the sentencing on the possession of the utensil to be dealt with on a day to be fixed by the Court, which will be either with the burglary convictions if you are convicted on those, or just on its own at some stage in the future.

[3] You can remain on bail in the meantime.

[4] The election is for trial by jury so I think on that basis the burglary should be adjourned to the callover in July. There will be orders to that effect.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'H Williams', written in black ink.

Hugh Williams, CJ