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serve held for 18 months following his 10-year sentence for the alleged attempted murder of a barman.

The next stage in Michael's fight to prove his innocence is an appeal to the European court of human rights on the grounds that he did not receive a fair trial.

Bulgarian courts ignored alibi evidence pointing to his innocence and refused to consider a written confession by fellow Liverpudlian Graham Sankey.

The Bulgarian supreme court cut Michael's sentence from 15 years to 10, but increased fines and compensation to more than £90,000.

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## three-day outlook

### WEDNESDAY



Mild, but cloudy with rain or drizzle for much of the day.

max 13C (55F) min 11C (52F)

### THURSDAY



Rain will clear to leave sunny spells. Turning cooler.

max 12C (54F) min 6C (43F)

### FRIDAY



Bright with a mixture of sunny spells and scattered showers.

max 9C (48F) min 5C (41F)

## High Tides

	tomorrow	
	ht (m)	ht (m)
Liverpool	07.08 7.2	19.27 7.5



# SIX in the City



Tonight: JUSTINE MILLS

## Go on, Make your Mark on our future

I ATTENDED the launch of the Liverpool Make Your Mark campaign at the FACT Centre in Wood Street.

The Make Your Mark campaign is an initiative geared towards getting young people involved in enterprise and business.

I was asked to speak at the event and give some background on how I started in business. I agreed to this at lunch in 60 Hope Street over a bottle of wine courtesy of the very charming Lee Humphries. With a glass of wine in my hand I'll say yes to anything. Well almost.

I was so nervous as I have never spoken at a public event before and had I not believed in the campaign and what they are trying to achieve I would have bottled out.

Phil Redmond is patron of the initiative and I have a sneaky suspicion he may have done public speaking before. It's just a hunch but what a natural he was and what an act to follow ... no pressure there then.

He didn't dress up his address with fancy terminology but got straight to the point and encouraged young people to simply "have a go". What's to lose? The rewards

of owning your own business can be great. Yes it's hard work with long hours, requires dedication, self-belief and sometimes sacrifice, but it can also be great fun and satisfying making your own decisions and being in control.

**You are the future of this great city**

The campaign hopes to encourage, inspire, motivate and importantly support young talent in the region with their business ideas and ventures.

During the presentation we watched some VT on some young people who had already started in business, including Jane Hampson of Little Satsuma who really impressed me with her environmentally friendly toiletries, in particular her Scouse soap packaged with the line "you'll never wash alone."

Also, there was Hannah Golightly who's manufacturing and designing Rock Chick bikinis. I'm going to have a look at them for Cricket, they're definitely a new concept.

But the youngest budding entrepreneurs were the lads from St Margaret's school who had designed their own computer game called Streets of Culture. It's a driving game and you navigate the car through the streets of Liverpool on an O8 shaped circuit.

I met up with Ethan Smith, Luke Cobb and Nick Saunders, some of the designers of the game which can be bought online at [www.streetsofculture.com](http://www.streetsofculture.com) for £5, £2 of which goes to Children in Need.