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Records of Decisions taken at Review of Child in Care (CCR2)

10/10/80

Child's Name SHARON & JANICE CONVEY	Date of Birth 16/3/69 25/5/65
Placement WALLHOUSE RECEPTION CENTRE	

Action to be taken before next Review	Person Responsible
<p>(a) Present children to the Homefinding Panel.</p> <p>(b) Pursue community care for Janis and fostering placement for Sharon.</p> <p>(c) Application for admission to Uphall Children's Home for both girls.</p> <p>(d) Prepare for the assumption of parental rights.</p>	<p>Child's Social Worker</p> <p>Liaison Social Worker</p> <p>Senior Social Worker</p> <p>Houseparent/Foster Parent</p>
<p>If any other Section of the Department or Organisation is to be advised, indicate task requiring action and person responsible, including action related to "Time Limits".</p>	<p>Other</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>LIVINGSTON AREA OFFICE</p> <p>Rec'd 29 OCT 1980</p> <p>Ref'd to... <i>HM</i></p> </div>

Long Term Place

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Permanent substitute care for Sharon and prepare Janis to go out into the community.

16/10/80	Signature of Chairperson <i>Elizabeth Fleming</i>	Date of Next Review 6 MONTHS	Time
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Participants	Designation	Tick if Copier 2 to be sent	Date Sent	Administrative Use	Date
Mrs. E. Fleming	Chairperson				
Mr. E. Brown	Senior Social Worker				
Mr. J. O'Donnell	Com. Care Project Leader				
Mrs. M. Sutherland	Res. & Day Care Adviser				
Meg Moss	Social Worker	✓			
Mr. K. Melton	Acting O.I.C.				
W. Hunter	R.C.O.				

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Placement of SHARON & JANIS CONWAY	10/5/69
	25/5/65
WALLHOUSE RECEPTION CENTRE	

The children's parents are wanted by the police and they moved to London with Sharon and Janis to avoid being caught. After a short time there, the mother sent the two girls back up to Livingston to live with their sister, Caroline, in Livingston. Caroline is actually their step-father's daughter by a previous marriage. She is only 18 years old and has a young baby. Her marriage has now broken up but she was still living with her husband when the girls were with her. The young couple could not cope with the girls and they were received into care. Sharon and Janis have been in Wallhouse since 25th August, and say they do not want to return to their parents and felt there was no alternative to coming into care. Their parents have been telephoning regularly since the girls came to Wallhouse. Janis is a very independent girl who likes her own way and gets huffy if she thinks others are getting things she should be sharing in. She is very protective of Sharon, who is a more easy-going type of girl. Janis recognises that they will be splitting up in the future as she will soon be 16, but has said that, if possible, they would like to be together. They have another sister, Irene, who lives in Glasgow, and they visit Caroline a lot but neither of their sisters can offer them anything as they are so young themselves. Caroline has said that if she got a house of her own, they could come back to stay with her and, although the girls felt they should accept this offer, they realised it was not very practical as Caroline was on her own with the baby. However, this idea has now blown over and they are quite settled.

Janis finds communal living quite difficult and wants to be placed elsewhere as soon as possible. Sharon is less of a problem in Wallhouse and is quite malleable. Occasionally, the girls are upset by their mother's telephone calls as she can be a bit aggressive. The girls seem quite fond of their stepfather and would like to go back to stay with him. The assumption of parental rights were discussed with Ann Black and she felt that there were grounds because of the parents' mode of life. The older girls feel that they lost a lot of opportunities educationally because of their upbringing and it was felt important that Section 16 go ahead, especially for Sharon, in view of her age. It is unlikely, however, that it could go through before Janis is 16. The parents have apparently said they would like the children back but it is to be on their terms, i.e. putting them on an overnight bus to send them down and they are not willing to go to the police and face up to the charge hanging over them. Janis gives the impression of being quite self-efficient and does not want to go back to her mother, although she is fond of her step-father. The mother is very unpredictable and she tends to put the blame for her stealing etc. on the children and they feel badly about this.

The children could be placed separately, but it was felt that Sharon would be wary of this. Mr. O'Donnell said he felt it was unrealistic to expect the children to be placed together. Janis is quite domineering to Sharon and it was felt that Sharon's personality might develop more if she was away from her sister. The children's mother telephones the social worker but will not give either her telephone number or address. She has accepted the children are in care and the social worker says she does not think the mother is looking towards their future. It was felt that the children should be moved from Wallhouse as soon as possible. Janis is very independent and Mr. O'Donnell said that as community care could only offer her two years, it is good for her to be so. Meg Moss said that although Janis has not been in care long, she has no real experience of settled family life. Janis has never suggested going to live with either of her sisters but she has said that Sharon could perhaps stay with her sister in Glasgow, if Irene gets married. Mr. O'Donnell said he felt that Janis was denying some of her own needs for Sharon.

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and it was felt that Janis would understand that this would

be for Sharon's benefit, although Sharon herself might take longer to come to terms with. The social worker said that the girls' needs are very different, although there is a strong bond.

The children will both be presented to the Homefinding Panel in the near future. Mr. O'Donnell said he will accept Janis as suitable for the community care project,

Although the girls have settled well in Wallhouse, it was felt that they should be somewhere more stable and the girls themselves feel this. Mr. O'Donnell said he only has six months to get community carers for Janis, because of her age and if he did not have something by then, she would be moving on to a hostel so he felt it would not be fair to move her to some other placement in the meantime.

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The social worker said that, ideally, she would like them away as quickly as possible but if a placement were not found it was felt that Uphall would prepare Sharon for fostering and Janis for going out into the community if a community care placement was not found. The social worker said she had a telephone call from the education authority saying that she would need to get permission for Janis to continue at Inveralmond School. Perhaps they could be taken in to Uphall Children's Home about Christmas if there is no sign of fostering or community care. It was decided that the girls should be told that they will be likely to be going to Uphall around Christmas and introductions could start by the end of November.

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NAME OF AGENCY: Lothian Region Social Work Department

DATE 20.11.80

ADDRESS: 25 Victoria Street

Senior social worker:

Livingston

Ralph Brown

Child's social worker: Margaret C Moss

Tel. no.: Liv. 35111

DETAILS OF CHILD NEEDING FAMILY PLACEMENT

(N.B. This form and the ABAFA standard medical forms are designed to complement each other)

I CHILD

1. Factual information

Name (underline surname) Janice Convery

Known as (underline surname—include nickname) Janice Convery

Type of care (e.g. children's home) Children's Home From (date) 25.08.80

Address Wallhouse Reception Centre

Torphichen West Lothian

Date of birth 25.05.65 Sex Female Race Caucasion

Place of birth Glasgow Nationality British

Legitimate/legitimized/illegitimate/extra-marital/other (delete) Legitimate

Has a religion been specified for child? Yes/no. If yes, what religion? No

Has child been baptized? Yes/no. If yes date and place /

Child's weight at birth (if known) / Time of birth /

2. Legal status of care (delete)

Sect. I./Sect. II./Care Order/Matrimonial Acts/in care of other agency (state which and Act concerned)/not in care/other

Section 44 1B

3. Pen picture: brief description of child and his personality (Please attach recent photograph)

Janice is a tall, slim girl with short dark hair. She is quite boyish. She is a confident, intelligent child who relates well to adults but needs quite a lot of attention.

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4. Type of placement needed

Adoption/foster home/other (delete) Community carer or long term foster parent

Are siblings to be placed with the child? Yes/no No

Are religious considerations involved? Yes/no No

Are geographical considerations important? Yes/no Near Livingston if possible for continuation of schooling.

Child's Name

Janice Convery

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II SIBLINGS (mark X preceding name if to be placed with the child)

X	Name	Sex	Date of birth	Place and type of care
	James Convery (Step brother)	M	20	
	Irene Convery	F	18	
	Caroline Edgar nee Convery (Step sister)	F	19	
	Andrew Convery	M	16	
	Sharon Convery	F	16.05.69	Children's Home

III INFORMATION FROM CHILD'S SOCIAL HISTORY

1. Care of child since birth

Dates (excluding present placement)	Type of care (e.g. with mother, foster home)	Comment on quality of parenting/care and reason for move
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Janice has lived a very itinerant life and has spent periods apart from her mother but has not been in care before as far as is known. She lived with her mother and siblings until mother remarried when Janice was about six years. Since then Mr Convery has been with the children when his wife has been absent.

2. Relationship to caretakers

- (a) Indicate the quality of any important relationships to *past* caretakers, if known
 Relationship with step father and current carers seems to be good although Janice can be demanding.
- (b) Has any special pattern of reactions to separation been observed?
 Frequent separation from mother.

3. Education

- (a) Number and type of schools attended in the past including pre-school experience
 No details of primary schooling available, although Janice says that she was at several schools. Secondary schooling since October '78 has been at Craigshill High and Inveralmond.
- (b) Indicate any special talents or problems presented in school
 Guidance staff indicate no current difficulties, she will be sitting six "O" levels in May 1981.

4. Health

- (a) Has the child suffered from any handicap, disability, injury or serious illness in the past? (Include problems requiring child guidance, speech therapy, dentistry, eye treatment, etc.)

No

- (b) How did the child cope with this, if known?

IV DETAILS OF AGENCY PLANS FOR THE CHILD

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1. Date and reason for first admission into care (by this or other agency)

25.08.80

2. Number of readmissions (indicate reasons)

None

3. Date and reason for present admission into care

25.08.80 Place of safety

4. What is the agreed plan for the child's future and reasons on which it is based?

Parents are not providing a suitable home. Janice needs support and a good family experience but not a substitute mother, so community carers are felt to be appropriate.

Which agency staff participated in the decision? (specify)

Social Worker, Senior Social Worker, Residential Care staff, Review panel.

6. Do the child's natural parents and close relatives (including husband of the mother) agree with the agency's plan? Yes/no. If no, specify

Mother does not whole heartedly agree but has no other suggestions and does not wish her children to remain in a home indefinitely. Fathers whereabouts unknown.

7. Does anyone else have parental or custodial rights? Yes/no. If yes, specify who and whether he/she agrees with the plan

No one else involved.

8. Is the child entitled to any property or has any insurance been taken out? Yes/no. If yes, give details

No

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9. Is any specific further action necessary to facilitate the plan? (e.g.: tracing of relatives, assumption of parental rights, court action, etc.). Yes/no. If yes, give details

Section 44 1B is sufficient for this plan but parental rights are being sought.

10. Are any particular problems anticipated in carrying out the agency's plan? (include staff problems).

Yes/no. If yes, give details

Finding a placement seems to be the only difficulty.

V PROFILE

The social worker should provide overleaf an assessment Profile of the child's present and future needs under the headings suggested in the Guide (on the last page) and attach medical and any other specialist reports.

CHILD'S PROFILE (attach additional page if needed)

Janice is a bright articulate girl with a strong personality. She is quite mature and has had to shoulder a lot of responsibility in her mother's absences. She can be very argumentative if she feels that she is not being treated fairly, but on the whole is quite easy to get on with. Children's Home does not suit her as she feels that others do not always abide by the rules and she prefers more privacy and individual attention.

She has a strong sense of family identity and would like to keep in contact with her sisters. She is quite bitter towards her mother because of her unsettled life and because she felt that her mother picked on her for any trouble in the family. Even now that she is separated Janice is afraid of her mother's anger. She is more ambivalent towards her step father although she feels he should have been able to stand up for them more and stop her mother's dishonesty.

Janice can be manipulative in a quiet way. She organises her life as much as she can and would like to organise her young sisters as well. She accepts her carers guidance fairly readily although she can be huffy if she disagrees with their decision. She works hard at home and school and plans to go to college to train in catering. She has friends both male and female but is not a natural leader. She is quite happy with her own company if no one is around. She is anxious to be moved from Wallhouse but is not too upset by the set backs which have occurred.

Janice would fit in well to most family situations as long as she was given a reasonable amount of adult attention. She accepts that she and Sharon will most likely have to live apart although they would prefer to remain together. Janice could be quite bossy with younger children although at Wallhouse she seems to be good with them and willing to spend time playing with them. She is more difficult with children slightly older than herself as she feels that she must watch to ensure that privileges are shared equally.

She has no plans to go to her mother although she would like to see her step father again. She would continue to use her mother for material benefits if she could. At the moment she has shown no great difficulties because of her up-bringing.

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Initial Report for Children's Panel

Janice Convery 25.5.65
Sharon Convery 16.5.69 (or 16.2.69)

Family

Mr James Convery - London
Mrs Susan Convery - London
Miss Irene Convery (18) - living with fiance's parents in Glasgow
Caroline Edgar nee Convery - 19 Broom Walk Livingston
Andrew Convery (16) - N.F.A.
Janice Convery (15) - Inveralmond School
Sharon Convery (11) - Harrysmuir School

Caroline is Mr Convery's daughter of a previous marriage. The other children are of Mrs Convery's first marriage.

There has been Social Work involvement with this family since January 1979 when they were living at 23 Larchbank Ladywell Livingston. At this time Mr Convery was living on his own and caring for the three younger children as his wife was in Corntonvale Prison. He managed very well and the children did not appear to have any outstanding difficulties at that time. They became more problematic towards the date that Mrs Convery was due to be released.

After she came home contact with the family was limited as Mrs Convery felt that she was well able to cope with any problems there were. Caroline was married round about this time to Lawrence Edgar and went to live with him and their young son at 19 Broom Walk Craigshill Livingston.

Roundabout the end of June 1980 Mr and Mrs Convery took the three younger children down to London as the Livingston Police were looking for Mrs Convery to answer some questions about thefts involving her employers. The family lived in a furnished flat in London but when this arrangement broke down Mrs Convery sent the children on a bus back up to Livingston. They were told to go to their sister Caroline although she had no notification of their coming. Having little choice she agreed to keep them and has been looking after them since then. They have now been with her about five weeks.

She has had no communication from the children's mother other than telephone messages relayed through their older sister Irene in Glasgow. Mrs Edgar was given the family allowance book by Mrs Convery but she is aware that she is not allowed to cash this and is therefore suffering financially because she has no means of keeping the children.

When the children were given the opportunity to discuss the situation they expressed grave doubts about going down to London. They were under the impression that their mother would send for them when she found somewhere to live but they were worried that they did not know where this would be nor when they might be sent for. They were very concerned that their parent's/

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/parent's might be arrested by the Police in London and they would have no one to help them.

Janice in particular was not willing to go down to London as she said that her mother had been very violent towards her in the past and she would feel insecure without the knowledge that her older sisters were nearby. The children have settled fairly well with Mrs Edgar but the situation is not ideal as the Edgar's are a very young immature couple who need all their resources to look after themselves and their young son.

For the moment the children are quite safe with their sister but it may be necessary to make different long-term arrangements. The two children have said that they would rather be in care in this area where they would be near their sister than taken down to London where they would have no support. Their anxiety was increased over the last week as Mrs Convery had said that she would send for them at the beginning of September. They were afraid that she might appear and insist on their accompanying her to London.

The Livingston Police are looking for Mr and Mrs Convery as they both appear to have information which would help the Police in their inquiries. This is the latest in a long line of illegal activities which Mrs Convery has been involved in and all her children complain about the insecurity of their upbringing and the difficulties this lead to with their education. The two older sisters Caroline and Irene are very concerned that the younger children are given opportunities which were denied to them.

A place of safety order was taken out on the 22nd August as it was felt detrimental to the children's well being to have them removed suddenly and they had sought a place of refuge.

Margaret C. Moss

Margaret C Moss
Social Worker

25.8.80

Janice and Sharon had to be moved to Wallhouse Childrens Home. Their brother-in-law felt that he could no longer look after them as they added to the stresses within his family. The girls settled in at Wallhouse and are still attending their schools in Livingston.

M.M.
Margaret C Moss

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RECORD FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN
ON DECEMBER 11th 1980

SHARON CONVERY; D.O.B. 10.5.69. JANICE CONVERY: D.O.B. 25.5.65.

Janice and Sharon were admitted to Wallhouse on 25.8.80 and both settled immediately in its setting. Both seemed well aware of the Wallhouse situation and realise that it is a short term unit and accept that they will probably have to move on before going to community carers/foster parents.

Their perception of the past is clear, especially in the case of Janice. Initially Janice was very bitter towards her mother but Sharon although knowing the situation does not seem to have been effected. Janice suggests that Sharon acquired more attention but does not penalise her because of this, but is none-the-less very dominant and protective towards Sharon.

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JANICE: is a friendly, mature, honest, and sincere fifteen year old girl who can stand up for herself and her sister. She is likeable and well-mannered and can easily open a conversation with both peers and staff. Although generally she is both sensible and of a fairly even temperament, of late she has been quite moody and has on three occasions flew into a blind temper, mainly concerning personal belongings or abuse about her character. Janice is helpful and conscientious. Sometimes she is too protective towards Sharon, indeed feels her role of guardian started from a young age, and hence reprimands Sharon more than the care staff. She has a high level of hygiene, appearance etc. and this has influenced the girls in her room as well as Sharon. She is fairly well liked by her peers but has not paired with anyone. She will not be easily led and is just part of the group. Her main interest is cooking and hopes to go into hotel management and has made enquiries as regard the appropriate course which she hopes to start when she leaves school.

CURRENT SITUATION: Their parents phone regularly and send approx. fortnightly parcels containing clothes, money, goods etc. and this appears to have had a significant effect on Janice who's views towards her mother have subsided. Both girls feel very strongly that their roots are in Livingston and Glasgow and have spent weekends with friends in Livingston. Her sisters keep a reduced level of contact with both Janice and Sharon, having visited them. At the moment Janice is rather moody mainly due to the hassles regarding her private property.

SCHOOLING, HEALTH, ETC.:

Janice continues to attend Inver-
almond High School and is of about average intelligence and she hopes

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She still mixes with the friends she had before coming to Wallhouse and states she is happy at school. Both keep fairly good health although Janice smokes approx. five cigarettes a day.

Care Plan: It is hoped that Janice will move to community carers and Sharon to foster parents if a family placement for the two of them together cannot be found. Both girls are aware what the plan is and are fairly happy but would prefer to be together. Uphall would prove ideal as it is within easy reach of Livingston and could prepare the girls for a family placement.

Janice is not too sure. Both are aware that any return to the parents, if ever possible will not be in the immediate future.

Willie Hunter
R.C.S. Wallhouse.
5.12.80

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AT Linnington **CLIENT COPY** (location) DATE: 22.8.80

THE PETITION OF MARGARET MOSS (name of applicant for warrant) for the removal to or detention in a Place of Safety of a child/children who may be in need of compulsory measures of care, in terms of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968, Section 37(2), as amended by the Children Act 1975, Section 83(b).

Name	Address	Date of Birth
<u>Janice and Sharon CONVERY</u>	<u>19 BROOMWALK CRAIGSHILL</u>	<u>Janice 25.5.65 Sharon 16.5.69</u>

~~is a child~~/are children

- (a) ~~in respect of whom an offence mentioned in Schedule 1 of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 has been or is believed to have been committed;~~
- (b) ~~who is a member of the same household as a child in respect of whom such an offence has been or is believed to have been committed.~~
- (c) ~~who is, or is likely to become, a member of the same household as the person who has, or is believed to have, committed such an offence.~~
- (d) ~~in respect of whom an offence under Section 21(1) of the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937 has been or is believed to have been committed.~~
- (e) who is likely to be caused unnecessary suffering or serious impairment of health because there is, or is believed to be, in respect of the child a lack of parental care.
- (f) who has taken refuge in a Place of Safety.

(delete categories as necessary)

and it being necessary to allow time for inquiry, the petitioner craves warrant to the effect that the said child(ren) be removed to/detained at a Place of Safety as defined by the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.

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According to Justice

(signature of applicant for warrant) Margaret C. Moss
Petitioner

At 22 LINDEN GROVE (location) Date: 22nd AUG. 1980

in the presence of the Petitioner, I [Signature] me of HER MAJESTY'S SHERIFFS/MAGISTRATES/JUSTICES OF THE PEACE, having considered the foregoing petition, grant warrant to remove to/detain at a Place of Safety as craved.

(signature) [Signature]
SHERIFF/MAGISTRATE/JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
(WEST DOTHIN)
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LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL



CHILDREN'S PANEL

The West Lothian Divisional Reporter
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Linlithgow EH49 7EQ
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The Officer in Charge
Wallhouse Residential Centre
TORPHICHEN
West Lothian

Our reference IS/MTS

Your reference

Date 11 December 1980

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Dear Madam

Sharon Convery (b.16.5.69) and Janice Convery (b. 25.5.65)

Mrs Moss, Social Worker, has requested a review for the above children's supervision requirements. This will take place on Friday 19 December 1980 at 12.30 pm in St David's Hall, George Street, Bathgate and I enclose notifications for the children.

Sharon and Janice has been with you for about three months and you may wish to supply a short report for the benefit of the Panel Members. I apologise for shortage of notice.

Yours faithfully

Reporter to Children's Panel

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If telephoning please ask for

Mr Shein

All communications to be addressed to the Reporter

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Date 22 December 1980

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Dear Madam

Sharon Convery (b.16.5.69) and Janice Convery (b.25.5.65)

This is to inform you that when the above girls appeared before a Children's Hearing at Bathgate, their supervision requirements were varied whereby Janice will reside in Uphall Family Group Home.

The Panel wish to thank you for the attendance of your Mr Hunter and Miss Rodman at this Hearing and also Wallhouse for the care taken of the two children.

Yours faithfully

Assistant Reporter to Children's Panel

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Mr Johnstone

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SW MEG MOSS

JANICE AND SHARON HAVE NOW BEEN IN CARE ABOUT SIX WEEKS AND BOTH HAVE SETTLED REMARKABLY WELL INTO THE WALLHOUSE ENVIRONMENT AND SEEM HAPPY IN ITS SETTINGS.

BOTH GIRLS HAVE A TRUE PERCEPTION OF WHY THEY ARE IN CARE, ALTHOUGH SHARON DOES NOT OPENLY TALK ABOUT IT. BOTH PARENTS ARE IN LONDON STAYING TOGETHER AND PHONE REGULARLY ALTHOUGH IT APPEARS THAT MRS CONUREY AND JANICE DON'T SEE EYE TO EYE WHICH IS HARDLY SURPRISING CONSIDERING THE TREATMENT JANICE HAS RECEIVED FROM MUM. SHE HAS SPOKE OPENLY OF HOW HER MOTHER OCCASIONALLY CONTINUALLY ASSAULTED HER FOR LITTLE OR NO APPARENT REASON, ABUSED HER WHILE IN THE PRESENCE OF HER FRIENDS AND THE WAY THEY WERE UPLIFTED AND THEN RETURNED TO LIVINGSTON. SHE DOES NOT HOWEVER FEEL THE SAME ABOUT HER DAD WHOM SHE FEELS IS MANIPULATED BY HER MOTHER. JANICE HAS STATED "DAD WAS STRAIGHT UNTIL SHE MET HER" AND WOULD N'T MIND RETURNING TO STAY WITH HIM. SHE WOULD NOT HOWEVER RETURN TO HER MOTHER WHOM SHE FEELS "HATES ME".

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JANICE HAS SUGGESTED THAT SHARON ACQUIRED MORE ATTENTION OF THIS A HOME BUT DOES NOT SEEM TO PENALISE HER BECAUSE BUT IS NONE THE LESS BOTH VERY DOMINANT AND PROTECTIVE TOWARDS HER. THEIR TWO SISTERS ARE IN REGULAR CONTACT BY PHONE WITH OCCASIONAL VISITS TO THE UNIT FROM CAROLINE WHO STAYS IN LIVINGSTON AND WITH WHOM THE GIRLS STAYED FOR A SHORT PERIOD BEFORE RECEPTION INTO CARE. MOTHER HAS OCCASIONALLY ANNOYED JANICE WHILE ON THE PHONE STATING THAT JANICE DOES N'T BOTHER ABOUT HER PARENTS, IN GENERAL SHE APPEARS TO TRY AND MAKE JANICE GUILTY REGARDLESS OF THE FACT THAT THEY ARE WANTED BY THE POLICE AND HENCE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CHILDREN BEING IN CARE. RELATIONS WITH THEIR SEVENTEEN YEAR OLD BROTHER IS ANOTHER SOURCE OF DISPUTE AS NEITHER CHILDREN NOR PARENTS APPEAR TO KNOW HIS WHEREABOUTS WITH MOTHER FOR SOME REASON, ANNOYED AT JANICE BECAUSE OF THIS.

HEALTHOUSE

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BOTH GIRLS KEEP GOOD HEALTH AND HAVE FAIR APPETITES. SCHOOL HAS PRESENTED NO PROBLEMS AS JANICE CONTINUES TO ATTEND INVERALMOND COMMUNITY SCHOOL IN LIVINGSTON

SCHOOL REPORTS HAVE INDICATED THAT BOTH GIRLS ARE OF AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE AND THAT BOTH GIRLS RELATES WELL WITH THEIR PEERS WHILE AT SCHOOL AND CAUSE NO BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS.

BOTH

GIRLS APPEAR TO HAVE SETTLED FRIENDS IN LIVINGSTON AND HAVE STAYED WEEKENDS WITH THEM. THEY ARE FREQUENTLY PHONED BY THESE FRIENDS AND FEEL THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO RETURN TO LIVINGSTON AT SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE. THERE IS AN EXTREMELY STRONG FEELING BETWEEN THE GIRLS WITH JANICE VERY MUCH THE MOTHER FIGURE.

MOTHER

HAS SENT TWO PARCELS CONTAINING CLOTHES MAINLY FOR SHARON AND ALTHOUGH NOW HAVE A FAIR AMOUNT OF CLOTHES, THEIR WARDROBE IS IN NO WAY EXCESSIVE AND HENCE A CLOTHING GRANT HAS BEEN APPLIED FOR. IT HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO THE GIRLS THAT THEY ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE COMMUNITY CAREERS SCHEME AND BOTH SEEM HAPPY AT THIS THAT STATE THIS IS A SECOND CHOICE.

FINALLY, THE SOCIAL WORKER HAS REGULAR CONTACT AND IS WELL RESPECTED BY THE GIRLS WHO PLACE A GREAT DEAL EMPHASIS ON WHAT SHE SAYS.

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WILLIE HUNTER

RCE WALLHOUSE

4/10/80

JANICE

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JANICE IS A FRIENDLY, MATURE, HONEST AND SINCERE GIRL WHO CAN STAND UP FOR HERSELF AND HER SISTER WHEN NEEDED, SHE IS VERY LIKEABLE AND WELL MANNERED AND CAN EASILY OPEN A CONVERSATION WITH BOTH PEERS AND STAFF.

JANICE HAS A SENSIBLE APPROACH TO MOST THINGS AND HAS A FAIRLY EVEN TEMPERAMENT TOWARDS STAFF BUT OCCASIONALLY WILL ARGUE WITH OTHER KIDS AND ESPECIALLY SHARON, ALTHOUGH IN FAIRNESS SHE GENERALLY HAS A POINT. SHE IS VERY HELPFUL WHEN ASKED DOING JOBS CONSCIENTIOUSLY. JANICE RARELY LOOKS FOR ATTENTION AND HAS NEVER SOUGHT SYMPATHY. ALTHOUGH TRUTHFUL VERY OCCASIONALLY HAS TO BE "KEPT IN LINE" AS REGARDS SHARON. SOMETIMES SHE IS TOO PROTECTIVE TOWARDS SHARON

GIVING HER VERY LITTLE ROOM FOR MAKING DECISIONS AND AT TIMES SEES FIT TO REPRIMAND HER, ALTHOUGH THIS IS ^{AGAIN} A VERY RARELY. ~~JANICE~~

JANICE ~~EXERCISES~~ THE ROLE OF GUARDIAN TOWARDS SHARON AND THIS HAS DONE LITTLE TO HINDER HER OWN PERSONALITY. SHE HAS A HIGH LEVEL OF HYGIENE AND THIS HAS RUBBED OFF SLIGHTLY WITH THE OTHER GIRLS IN THE ROOM. SHE IS VERY CAPABLE OF LOOKING AFTER HER OWN CLOTHES, ^{WITH WHICH SHE TAKES GREAT CARE} MONEY ETC AND TENDS TO OVER INDULGE IN SHARON'S CLOTHES, FORCING HER TO WASH THEM AT THE SAME TIME REGARDLESS.

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SHE IS FAIRLY WELL LIKED BY HER PEERS BUT HAS NOT PAIRED WITH ANYONE, TENDING TO SPEND ^{SOME} ~~MOST~~ TIME WITH STAFF OR HERSELF. SHE HAS HAD A BOY FRIEND WHILE AT WALLHOUSE BUT THIS WAS A LAD SHE MET AT A DISCO BUT NOT SOMEONE IN THE UNIT. THIS LASTED BRIEFLY AND SOON PETERED OUT AFTER A FEW DAYS OF PHONECALLS AND LITTLE ELSE. GENERALLY SHE IS ONE OF THE CROWD BUT IN NO WAY EASILY LED, SHE LIKES INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION WITH COOKING AND BAKING HER HER ONLY REGULAR PASTIMES, ^{SHE SHOWS} ~~SHE HAS~~ A LITTLE INTEREST IN THE YOUNGER AND CAN CHAT OPENLY ABOUT THE FUTURE. SHE HOPES FOR A RETURN TO DAD, IF NOT FOSTER PARENTS AND THEN TAKING UP A HOTEL MANAGEMENT COURSE AFTER LEAVING SCHOOL. FINALLY JANICE SMOKES APPROXIMATELY FIVE CIGARETTES A DAY ALONG WITH THE REST, HER FOURTH FRIENDS AND

DOB 25.5.65
DOA 25.8.80

Janice Convery

S.W. M. Moss

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25.8.80 - Arrived at 6:30 pm had some tea, did some
bathing, unpacked her clothes (some were very nice & well
kept - she has a very good sense of taste).
Went to school at 8:30 am. She has been
very protective towards Sharon, mother's Res a great deal
28.8.80 72 hours review this afternoon (see Sharon's file)
29.8.80. Watched TV. has been quite quiet tonight.

30.8.80 seems bored most of the time although she was knitting into an
watches TV most of the time.
31.8.80 Rose late and was in a very good mood. Chatted a bit about
Glasgow at dinner. seems quite bright and aware. Well
herself.
1.9.80 Was bit quieter later on. Spend some of the time
herself.

Does not seem to have any particular friend but is friendly enough
towards staff.

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2.9.80 Rose sharply before going to school. Well.
2.9.80 Very quiet around the house, spoke to her
S.W on the phone going for clothes with her tomorrow.
4.9.80 Baked chocolate crispies with Janice, got a
wooden toy from mum in London. Still orders Sharon
about a little too much S. Smith
5.9.80 a bit bored last night. Did n't go swimming due to talk of
still on her own a lot but settling well
6.9.80 Rose late (after miss phone call) Ben in good chatty to day.

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7-9-80 Janice had a row with [unclear] but was in a mood for some time afterwards. Spent most of the time in her room. We chatted for some time and seemed to relate very well to each other. She spoke a great deal of her mum emphasising the confidentiality of some parts which were pretty intimate. She got a lot of her chest especially about some aspects of the home, i.e. bad times, home visits etc.

10-9-80 Rose a bit but not some the less happy

10-9-80: Can be rather cheeky if asked to do anything. Still quite bossy towards Sharon. keeps telling her what to do. Hutcherson

11-9-80: Left for school with

12-9-80 " " (Spent most of her time upstairs with) spoke to her late on - concerned about panel tomorrow asking if she wanted to split up from her sister.

12-9-80 Janice has gone to stay with one of her school friends, will return tomorrow.

14-9-80. Returned approx 3.30 pm. Enjoyed her weekend. Went to a Disco on Saturday night with her pal

" " Inghita market on Sunday with her sister Gene & boyfriend. They bought Janice a jacket and ear rings for Sharon. *

15-9-80. Left for school this a.m. Janice phoned mid-morning to say that there is a school holiday. Had her lunch in Bathgate before returning.

14-9-80 Janice along with [unclear] thumped [unclear] in retaliation for his hitting [unclear]

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5-9-80 Did her washing and Ironing, watched some TV. Has made friends with Hutcherson

6-9-80: left for school fine. Hutcherson.

19-9-80 At a disco in Westfield was full of excitement as she got a boyfriend (also his number/phone) GH.

20-9-80: About the house most of the day.

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- 10.10.80 Returned from school with S.W.
Spent most of the evening washing. Also
very helpful towards staff. h.f.
- 11.10.80. Very chatty during breakfast about going
on holiday with S.W.
- 12.10.80 - 13.10.80 At her friends
- 13/10/80 6 WK - Best KIDC to go to SHALL BY END OF DECISION
IN TO COMMUNITY CAREERS, LOSS SEPARATED.
- 13/10/80 Was fairly calm when ~~was~~ informed outcome of the
meeting. She accepted the points ^{but} is worried about leaving possibly.
Gave Sharon herself in a sense a bit quieter later on.
- 14/10/80 Up in a very good mood before going off with ^{with}
- 17.10.80. Was quite pleased to hear that 3 girls
that stayed with her big sister in Livingston
were coming to stay here, for a while. Got her
clothes ready for going away her holiday with
Mae.
- 18.10.80. Up very early very noise this morning
was quite cheeky to me, showing off in front of
her friend ^{one of the new girls,}
AWA1 UNTIL 22/10/80
- 20.10.80. Spent a few hours at Livingston market with
isla & boyfriend. I arrived home before tea time. Spoke
great deal about her visit.
- 21.10.80. Going to Balgait Technical College today
for interview. Was rather excited most of the morning
spoke a great deal during breakfast. M. Drummond.

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CLIENT COPY Janice Convery sw.M. Moss
Livingston Dept

21.9.80. Did her washing this morning, dried and ironed it. Went a run in mini bus to the cottage. Was getting at Sharon a lot tonight, telling her to hurry up that she was very slow. Janice is very protective towards Sharon at times but others she just has no patients towards her.
J. Hutchison.

22.9.80. Was very quiet and subdued last night was not her usual chatty self. Received a sweatshirt in the post from her mum. Was at the centre with Willie.

25.9.80. Up bright and early, but somehow was late in leaving the house and had to run for the bus.
E. Smith

26.9.80 Returned with SW from work (Woolco) in a good mood. Had acquired some clothes from mum.

22.9.80 Went off to friends at 12 noon

23.9.80 Seemed a bit down on return, quite quiet even late on. Went for a walk with -

29.9.80 Seemed in a better mood this morning although does not like working at the "woolco".
Willie

PS MEG Moss will collect Janie + Sharon to go for clothes in Bithgald on Thursday

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31.9.80. Very quiet during breakfast this A.M. Off to school no problem. h.17

Returned from Woolco with SW. Been quite quiet. A bit high late on. Spent most of her time watching TV.
Willie

2.10.80 A bit moody yesterday mainly at the attention the boys received. Was swearing a lot (for Janice) and seems to be annoyed at the slightest thing.

9.10.80 In a foul mood this morning and had Sharon in tears. When reprimanded for this she walked off and sat by herself before going to school quite upset. Willie

16.11.80. Off school this A.M. Up several times during the night. (very sick) **CLIENT COPY** *Dr. Diamond*

17.11.80. Janice quite happy last night, had a phone call from her mum. *G. Smith*

18.11.80. At the moment I feel Janice is not very happy at Warehouse.

19.11.80 Janice's sister visited Li night with Mrs Bullock. *visited Li night.*

20.11.80 left for school she got an extra stop for her bus fare to manon as she is staying over night with a friend. *J. Hilderson*

20.11.80. Night Report Was last in going to bed Had a bath washed her hair Was excited at going to disco tomorrow night Had a good night *J. Grant*

21.11.80. Night Report Out for an over night stay. *J. Grant*

22.11.80 Night Report Returned tonight. Went to bed. quite easy. Had a good night. *J. Grant*

23-11-80. Janice returned from Livingston, said she had been drinking again - vodka.

22.11.80! At Edinburgh with Roseanne. watched TV most of evening. Phone call from sister Carol in Livingston. Watched Dallas. *JM*

3-11-80 Night Report. a bit disgruntled @ not getting to watch the late film **CLIENT COPY** but settled down after a chat with the other girls a mess

24/11/80 Night Report! Very good tonight, didn't get involved, with *R Hill*.

23-11-80. Confrontation between Janice & older children re-writing a wall outside front door J.C. is a cow. Janice worked herself up to a right state. Calmed down after a quiet 5 mins and a tea.

DOB: 25.5.65

DOA: 25.8.80

Janice Conway

sw / M. Moss

31.10.80: Away home for weekend to sisters in Livingston
return Sunday

2.11.80: Returned at 5.00pm, her mood was
not to good. CLIENT COPY JH

3.11.80: Big sister from Livingston here for short
visit, was sent downstairs by " " I don't
know the reason. Had a bath, washed her hair
JH

4-11-80 Janice was kept off school because
of night sickness. ate very little. Had
some rice crispies at night.

5-11-80 Sick again through night - again
Kept off school.

7.11.80 a bit feel up today. probably still feels a bit left out
but really has no reason for this, a bit happier later on
and is looking forward to going to her sister's tomorrow. Was
singing and dancing later on. with

8.11.80 Was taken down to Lightham to get the train
to Glasgow to visit her sister. Jan will be returned
later by sister. CLIENT COPY JH

12.11.80 Mother phoned this evening

12.11.80 Later in coming down for breakfast, not in a very good
mood, during breakfast she said that a foster placement had
become available for her, Janice expressed the desire to remain
at Wallhouse until a foster placement was found for Sharon.

13.11.80 In good humour on return from school but a bit quiet
later on. Spoke a bit about placement and it would appear her
views are mellowing saying she hoped she would like them although
obviously still concerned about Sharon. Spent some time with
with

14.11.80 Quiet this morning, seemed a bit tired.

JANICE CONUREY - 2 WEEKLY REPORT - 23-11-80

Janice has been in good humour recently which is a change from a few weeks ago when, to quote a certain member of the senior staff, she could be given a small box to stand on. As usual Sharon was the main target but now they are more subdued. This phase according to Janice was because she was loved and not, as in the past, directed at the older boys.

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She still keeps regular contact with friends in Luton and still has the occasional overnight stay. Her mother phones regularly and sends the occasional parcel with clothes and money included. Her relationships with her friends both at school and in the community may at times be dubious as she has now to appear in court as a witness to a quarrel which escalated into a fight. This was apparently one of the major reasons why her proposed foster parents changed their views. Janice can see no harm in her friends and says that she is very much on the fringe as regards this type of behaviour.

The plan for Janice is now hopefully uphill with view to Community Care, although Janice has spoke of staying with relations, nothing concrete has evolved.

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Wille

25.11.80

20. Night Report.
James complained of sore throat tonight, "Lam Sib" given as hot drink.
R Hill

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27th Nov. 80. Night Report.
10 p.m.
27th Nov!
Given 2: 5 mlsh cough mixture & desponi at
little better to day although she remained in bed. appetite still
of poor. Mam. phoned this evening.

28 Nov. 80. Night Report
Had a good night
J Grant

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29. / 80. Night Report.
Went to bed early. Had a good night
J Grant

10/12/80 R/Report

Janice Convery.
Had a good night

J. Grant

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11/11/80 R/Report.

11/12/80

After 11p m. & she settled. but had a good night
No problems at all tonight
Cm Oylh

J Grant

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13/12/80. N/ Report

Returned from Disco at 11. 20pm settled & slept well

13/12/80 In good humor on return from school. Spent most of
the night cooking and discussing stuff!! Seems to like Uphall. Willie

14 → Went to Ingham ^{xmas shopping} with ~~her~~ today. Returned
approx 11.15. Dery pleased with the ~~lights~~ that
bought her. ~~Drapped up xmas presents, and watches~~
T.O. Dery quiet ~~but~~ ^{and subdued} evening

Sunday 14th Dec

at 5pm Meg Moss phoned to say Mr Convery had been picked up
by police, and was in Bathgate Police Station. Meg asked us to break
this distressing news to the girls as gently as possible. "This was done"
Mr Convery intimated he was going to phone the girls (He did not phone).

Janis was told first, and it was decided she would tell Sharon quietly
in her own way, she was very sad and broke down and had a good cry.
Sharon was unhappy about it all, but did not grasp the seriousness of
it until the next morning, at breakfast when she was crying.

We could not explain very much to Janis as we had so little knowledge of
what had happened, she wondered if Mr Convery may be in Bathgate too

It was decided to phone police for additional information this was

M^{rs} Convery is still in London
M^{rs} " has to appear in court tomorrow (Monday 15 Dec).
at 10.30 am. Janis has been told of this.
Janis will take the day off school, to-morrow.
Willie who is her "Key Worker", took her to Edinburgh for the day
M. Henderson.

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18.12.80. Night Report 9pm - 4am.
Janice. upstairs to bed. no problem.
An Dundas

19.12.80. Night Report 9pm - 4am
Janice. Very happy to-night and happy about her presents.
An Dundas

19/12/80 RA up hall till Sunday

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20.12.80. n/ Report, sleeping out. J. Grant

23/12/80 n/ Report. Went to bed. Quietly Had a good night
J. Grant

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Jamie Conway.

28/11/80 Went to visit his nephew who is in foster care in Livingston with Jeanette. Has almost recovered from her flu. Returned late on.

29/11/80 In good humour this morning before going to Edinburgh with Sharon & Jeanette to see about clothes. W.S.M.

30/11/80 Night Reports Slept well. J. Grant

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1/12/80 N/R - very bad temper tonight after the incident with the boys + Sharon - She claims she's going to sort them out today and won't be talked out of it - asleep by 11.30pm. A.M.C.

2/12/80 A bit crabbit on return from school and went "bizarre" when she found her calendar tampered. Staff were all subject to sorts of abuse and eventually she returned to her room crying and stayed there all evening. Still asleep but was slightly better afterwards.

3/12/80 N/R. Jamie was quite friendly tonight would like to come back here, and work "Pure Staff"

R.T.O.

4/12/80 N/R.

Ray quite tonight, didn't say much, asleep by 10.30pm R.T.O.

3/12/80 Very moody on her return from school

Refused tea - nothing seemed to suit her above which

she had a severe pain, all this ginned

up on and eventually managed to put the tea down

She generally went about well.

in her room S.W. visited this evening.

R.T.O.

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4-12-80. Refused to get up this morning said she was not going to school until she was seen by the doctor, wanted ~~some~~ medicine for her cold and cream for her face. spoke to her and Janice came downstairs shortly afterwards. She refused breakfast, went into the office ^{at 8:30pm} and started complaining that she had missed the bus. ~~she~~ said she could get the 8:45 bus. Janice was verbally abusive and left for school in a foul mood.

5-12-80.

Very chatty about her evening out enjoyed it immensely. no problems. when she arrived home soon fell asleep. slept well.

Night Report

4/12/80 Dr ~~gave~~ a bad mood on return from school. All staff got a mouthful but was in better humor by the time the porter came round.

5/12/80 Again not too pleased about having to ask for a receipt. Feels embarrassed about being here. Eventually went to school 1hr late.

6-12-80.

Janice. Watched TV. then got a couple books from office then quietly went up to bed. did not even speak. when Jeanette tried to do her usual stint she slept well all night.

Night Report

Mr. Dundas.

4.12.80.

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Night Report.

Janice. Caring for. Over-night stay. Mr. Dundas.

8.12.80.

Night Report.

9PM. 4AM.

Janice. No real ~~breathing~~ problems and hair drying. } quiet. } Mr. Dundas.

Initial/Annual* Medical Examination of Child in Care
(Administration of Children's Homes (Scotland) Regs. 1959, Reg. 6(2)(c) & Boarding Out of Children (Scotland) Regs. 1959, Reg. 12 (2).)

*delete as appropriate.

Child's Name <i>JANICE CONVERY</i>	Address <i>c/o. Waulhouse. Childrens Home</i>	Date of Birth <i>25.5.65.</i>
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1. Immunisation since admission or last statutory medical.

Polio Vaccination	1. _____	2. _____	3. _____
Triple Antigen.	1. _____	2. _____	3. _____
Whooping Cough.	1. _____	2. _____	3. _____
Diphtheria/Tetanus.	1. _____	2. _____	
Rubella. <i>nil</i>	1. _____		
Measles.	1. _____		
B.C.G.	1. _____		

Is the child had the appropriate immunisations for his/her age? YES/NO*

2.

What illnesses, infections, or injuries has the child had since last examination?

none

3. Condition of;

a) Eyes/Sight.	<i>good</i>
b) Ears/Hearing.	<i>normal</i>
c) Throat.	<i>sl. inflamed.</i>
d) Tonsils.	
e) Teeth & Gums.	<i>good</i>
f) Skin & Scalp.	<i>clear.</i>

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4. Is there any evidence of abnormality of; If yes, comment in 10 overleaf.

Cardiovascular system.	<i>P. 74. N.S.II+II ↓o.</i>
Respiratory system.	<i>clear.</i>
Alimentary system.	<i>NAD</i>
Central nervous system.	<i>all intact</i>
Genito-urinary system.	<i>clear</i>
Other systems.	<i>nad.</i>

State of nutrition.

good

Are speech and articulation satisfactory?

yes

7.

Does the child suffer from urinary or faecal incontinence?

no

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8.

Is there any evidence of abnormality of development or behaviour which is inconsistent with the child's age?

no

9.

Has there been any change in the child's mental or physical health since last examination?

no

10.

General comment.

normal healthy child.

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Signature

FP Ket.

Date

26.9.80

Name & address
(in block capitals)

Armadale Group Practice

C.P.1

Notification of children's hearing to child required to attend hearing. Rule 7.

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

To Janice Convery
c/o Wallhouse Residential Centre
TORPHICHEN
West Lothian

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You have been referred to a children's hearing for the Lothian Region for the purpose of reviewing your supervision requirement of 12/9/80.

You are required in terms of section 40(1) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to attend the hearing

on (date) Friday 19 December 1980

at (time) 12.30 pm

at (place) St David's Hall, George Street, Bathgate

Please read the Notes set out below

..... 11 December 19 80

..... *J. Johnstone*
Reporter

NOTES

A children's hearing is a group of three people specially selected for their interest and concern in understanding and helping children who are in trouble. They meet to discuss with a child and his parents any difficulties that may have arisen, to discover the reasons for these difficulties and to find an answer which is in the best interests of the child. In some cases this may involve compulsory supervision or even removal from home. Further information on the hearing is set out in the leaflet entitled 'To tell you about the Children's Hearing' a copy of which accompanies this notification.

When the children's hearing are discussing your case, they will want to find out your views and you may, if you wish, bring with you to the hearing someone to help you in discussing your difficulties and what might be done. The personal expenses of this representative (but not any fees) may be refunded if they are not less than fifteen pence (15p).

Your own personal expenses (but not any loss of earnings) in coming to the hearing may be refunded if those expenses, together with any expenses of your parent(s) in coming to the hearing are not less than fifteen pence (15p).

If you do not attend the hearing, steps may be taken, including possibly your detention, to make sure that you do appear before a hearing. If there is a very good reason, such as illness, why you will be unable to attend the hearing, you should contact the reporter at:

CHILDREN'S HEARINGS CENTRE

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LIVINGSTON AREA OFFICE
Rec'd 26 SEP 1980
Ref'd to *MM*

Child's Name Sharon & Janice Convery		Date of Birth 10/2/80 25/5/85
Placement Wallhouse Reception Centre		Officer in Charge
Social Worker Meg Moss		Area Livingston
Review Date 13/10/80	Place Wallhouse Reception Centre 1	

Child in Care Review Report (CCRI)

TO: AREA OFFICE/ESTABLISHMENT
AREA OFFICER/OFFICER-IN-CHARGE

The report should include the following:-

- a) Changes and developments since the last review, including dates of visits by Social Worker.
Contact with family.
Date of last medical and child's health.
Date of last school report and progress at school.
Date of placement at present address.
- b) Present situation.
- c) Future Plans. (including: Should a request be made for an earlier review hearing? Should parental rights be assumed?)

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Report Placement commenced 25.8.80. Panel on 12.9.80 decided on Residential Supervision.

(a) Janice and Sharon have settled in Wallhouse, the only notable change being that Sharon is now attending school in Torphichen. They have been visited regularly and have few complaints to make about their circumstances. They have been phoned several times by their mother but were only upset when their father spoke to them. Mrs. Convery has also phoned me and sent money for the children, but has nothing to offer for their future. They are anxious not to remain in Wallhouse too long and are wishing to be placed with foster parents together. They have been visited by their sister, Irene, and see Caroline when I take her to Wallhouse. Janice sees her regularly at lunchtime in Livingston.

The girls had a medical on 26.9.80 and are both well.

Their progress at school remains steady with the school staff taking an interest in their difficulties.

Present Situation

The children are being prepared for a move to community carers/foster parents, should such a placement be found. Their sister, Caroline, has suggested taking them to live with her when she has accommodation. As she is only eighteen, has a young baby of her own and no family supports, she has been dissuaded from anticipating this move in the short term. The girls did not seem to favour returning to her.

Another childrens panel will be held when a suitable placement is found.

There has been some discussion as to the possibility of seeking parental rights and evidence is now being gathered to support this.

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Date: 29.9.80.

Signature: _____

Margaret C. Moss

Residential/Social Worker

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Senior Social Worker/O. in C.

To be completed by Social Worker:

Please indicate the people who should be invited to the review.

Name	Designation	Address
Ralph Brown	S.S.W.	Livingston A.O.
Willie Hunter	Residential C.O.	Wallhouse
John O'Donnell	Community Care Project Organisation	Penicuik Area Office.

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Director - Roger Kent.
West Lothian Division,
53 High Street, Linlithgow.

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MEMORANDUM

Ref: RVA/EA

From: R.V. ARMSTRONG,
Divisional Officer.

Date: 27th November, 1980.

To: R. BLACK,
R.C.A., Shrubhill House.

SHARON AND JANICE CONVERY
(d.o.b. 16.5.69 and 25.5.65)
c/o Wallhouse Reception Centre

I have arranged an Intake Panel Meeting to be held at Uphall Children's Home on Thursday, 11th December, 1980, at 10.30 a.m. in connection with the above children.

In the meantime I enclose copy of Report from Livingston Area Office.

R. V. Armstrong

R.V. ARMSTRONG
Divisional Officer.

Encl.

c.c. Faye Rudland, O.I.C., Wallhouse Reception Centre. ✓
O.I.C., Uphall Children's Home, 132 Forrest Walk, Uphall.
Meg Moss, S.W., Livingston Area Team
Ralph Brown, S.S.W., Livingston Area Team

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Sharon and Janice Convery 16.05.69 and 25.05.65

Review of Care for Application to Uphall Children's Home

Sharon and Janice were admitted to Wallhouse from the care of their step-sister on the 25th August 1980.

Their mother and step-father are hiding from the Police somewhere in London and are in contact by telephone, but are not willing to make any plans or provisions for the care of their children. They have an older sister in Glasgow, their brother is in Livingston and their step-sister still lives in Livingston. They have no family able to give them substitute care for the moment. It would appear that they are likely to remain in care for sometime and parental rights are being sought.

Janice hopefully will remain at Inveralmond Community School for the remainder of her school career and then she talks about working in the catering trade.

Both girls have settled fairly well at Wallhouse with the staff reporting few problems. Janice is not happy about the number of children she has to relate to in Wallhouse and is very possessive about Sharon.

Ideally the children should be placed in roster care, but so far there seems few possibilities of that happening.

They have been prepared for the fact that they may well be separated and although they would rather remain together they accept that they will have to be apart.

The plan for them would be to give them as stable an environment as possible while they were prepared for foster care should a place arise. As Janice is fifteen and a half it seems unlikely that a suitable place would be found for her in the next six months,

Janice would therefore need to be worked with on her future plans and what she would want to do about accommodation and employment.

Their sisters would like to keep in contact and visit when possible, but their parents are not likely to do anymore than communicate by telephone.

I think that both children would benefit from being placed in a more stable environment than Wallhouse. Although they cause the staff no problems they find it difficult to cope with the constant movement of children and the large numbers.

Margaret C. Moss

Margaret C Moss
Social Worker

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30/10/25

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To Whom It May Concern

**Data Protection Act 1998
Information request – FOI REF 101001334178**

I refer to your request for personal data under the Data Protection Act 2018.

I enclose the following personal data, as requested:-

You requested relevant information for **Janice Convery, D.O.B 27/05/65.**

Data has been redacted in black because **it is third party information.**

In the event that you have a concern about the way in which the Council is handling your information, please contact Carol Johnston, Chief Solicitor, Legal Services, West Lothian Council, West Lothian Civic Centre, Howden South Road, Livingston, EH54 6FF (carol.johnston@westlothian.gov.uk) in writing with details of the reasons for your concern.

If you have a concern about the way the Council is handling your information and are unable to resolve your concern with the Council, you can raise the matter with the Information Commissioner Office. The concern should be raised within three months of your last meaningful contact with us. The contact address for the Information Commissioner's Office is:-

Information Commissioner Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

West Lothian Council

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In accordance with our Corporate Policy you may be contacted shortly to obtain your views on how we handled your request.

CHILD'S NAME.

1.50

Jamie Conway

D.O.B.

25.5.65

15 YRS

DATE.	IN.	OUT.	BALANCE	DATE.	IN.	OUT.	BALANCE
2/8	1.50		1.50	2.11.80	1.50		1.50
1/9	1.50		3.00	9/11/80		1.50	NIL
1/9/80		£1.00	2.00	9.11.80	1.50		1.50
7/9/80		40	40	13.11.80			1.34
			1.60	13.11.80		50	84
9/9/8		30	1.30			84	NIL
2/9/80		30	1.00	16.11.80	1.50		1.50
8/9/80		50	50	24.11.80		1.00	50p
11/90	1.50		2.00	28.11.80		50p	NIL
13.9		2.00	NIL	23.11.80	1.50		1.50
	1.50		1.50	30.11.80	1.50		3.00
21/9				1.12.80		1.00	2.00
24/9/80		35	1.15	30.11.80			
24/9/80			3.15	4/12/80		1.00	1.00
+ 9/80		15	3.00	5/12/80		70	30
7/9/80		3.00	NIL	6.12.80		30	=
28.9.	1.50		1.50	6.12.80	1.50		1.50
3/10/80		£1.00	50	9.12.80		30	-1.00
2/10/80		Balance on skating 15	35	13.12.80	1.50		2.50
5/10/80	1.50		1.85	15/12/80		1.00	1.50
8/10/80		1.85		19.12.80		50	50p
12/10/80	1.50		1.50	20.12.80	1.50		1.50
16/10/80		50	1.00	23.12.80		1.50	
18/10/80		£1.00	NIL	27.12.80			
19.10.80	1.50		1.50				
2.10.80		1.00	50				
6.10.80	1.50		2.00				
4/10/80		50	1.50				
7.10.80		50	1.00				
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James

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Party, Saturday night at ->

? Howden

starts 7AM, finishes 10:30

James would like to spend the
evening till Sunday lunch time
with friend

Confirmed with SW, Thursday

Mrs Convery
LEITCHMORE COTTAGE
LEITCHMORE HEATH
WATFORD
HERTS

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Lukes

Janie CLIENT COPY
pastimes

a room to myself

To stay in Livingston (as near as possible)

people to come and go with you

People that are down to earth

low parents

having 7 sister (older)

someone who expects me to help

begin but not too much

going out with my pals

Chat to discs etc

staying up to watch

betty quite late

Snobs

being kept in
a lot of rules

people taking advantage

going to church!

being brought

in too early

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Janice Convery's
Dad - 9

