

Evidence Extraction Sheet

Historic care records review - source-based extraction

Important: These are low-quality scanned records with handwriting, rotated pages and redactions. Entries marked "scan unclear" should be checked against the original image before being quoted in a formal statement. No clear direct evidence of sexual abuse or physical assault was identified in the reviewed pages; the strongest material concerns placement, neglect before admission, care reviews, education and family contact.

Document	PDF page	Internal page	Date	Author / role	Care setting	Category	Factual extract	Relevance / evidence type
sociL RECS 1	1	-	Undated opening sheet	Renfrew County Council Social Work Department	Family / all children	Proof of placement / identity	Names listed: Charmaine, Jacqueline, Samantha, Monique and Malcolm Good; parents John and Helen Good; home addresses and dates of birth recorded.	Direct identity and family-link evidence; typed form with handwriting.
sociL RECS 1	10	-	24.3.1971/1972 (scan unclear)	Social Work Department	Family	Proof of placement / legal-care process	Application for children to be received into care; all five children listed with dates of birth; father identified as applicant; doctor and school details recorded.	Direct evidence of formal care application.
sociL RECS 1	11	-	Contemporaneous history	Social Work Department	Family home before care	Neglect / safeguarding	Mother had left; father unemployed following excessive drinking; children allegedly left unattended for long periods and often without food; poor school attendance, cleanliness and clothing noted.	Direct contemporaneous evidence of neglect and grounds for intervention.
sociL RECS 1	12-13	-	24.3.1971	Parent / social worker witness	Family	Medical / authority	Parental consent authorising medical, hospital and dental treatment for the children.	Corroborative evidence of social-work involvement and anticipated care arrangements.
sociL RECS 1	14	-	31.3.1972	Renfrew County Council Social Work Department	Carsewood Children's Home, Howwood	Proof of placement / admission	Information slip records Jacqueline and Samantha Good received into care on 31 March 1972 and placed in Carsewood Children's Home, Howwood.	Strong direct placement evidence before 1 December 2004.
sociL RECS 1	15	-	7.4.1972	Senior Social Worker	Carsewood Children's Home, Howwood	Proof of placement / education	Change-of-address notice for school attendance records shows previous family address and present address at Carsewood Children's Home, Howwood.	Direct corroboration of residence through school administration.
sociL RECS 1	16	-	7.6.1971 (date appears inconsistent with later admission)	Department of Health and Social Security	Family / care administration	Contradictory date / funding	Letter discusses family allowances and children being admitted into care; date appears earlier than the 31.3.1972 admission record.	Potential chronology discrepancy requiring explanation.
sociL RECS 1	17	-	18/21.6.1971 (scan unclear)	Headmaster, Craigend Primary School	School record	Education / residence / impact	School report for Jacqueline Good records attendance, attainment, behaviour and home supervision comments.	Corroborative educational evidence; exact wording partly unclear.
sociL RECS 1	18-19	-	31.3.1971/1972 (scan unclear)	Social Work Department	Carsewood / family	Admission assessment	Review of child in residential care records health, habits, relationships and proposed admission to Carsewood.	Direct care-planning evidence; some details faint.
sociL RECS 1	20-21	-	1972-1973	Headteachers / school	Carsewood / schools	Education / residence	School reports sent to social work for children living at Carsewood; attendance and progress recorded.	Corroborative evidence of continued residence.
sociL RECS 1	24-25	-	Initial writ; findings	Sheriff Court / solicitors	Family / custody	Legal basis / custody	Court papers concern custody and maintenance of the children; findings refer to children in local-authority care and arrangements affecting custody.	Potential legal-basis evidence; exact operative order should be checked against original.
social recs 2	1-2	-	April 1975	Headteacher / school	Carsewood / school	Education / continued residence	School reports and requests concerning children in residential care; address and school information included.	Corroborative evidence of residence and educational progress.
social recs 2	3	-	1975	Medical officer	Residential care	Medical consequences / health	Medical examination form records general condition, height/weight and health observations.	Corroborative medical evidence during care.
social recs 2	4-5	-	Review in 1975	Matron / housemother / social work	Carsewood Children's Home	Review / continued residence	Review of child in care records behaviour, relationships, school, contact with parents and future action; indicates continued placement and review.	Direct care-review evidence.

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social recs 2	6-7	-	1975-1980	Area Social Worker / finance	Foster/placement administration	Funding / placement	Allowance forms name child and payee, with commencement/finishing dates.	Corroborative evidence of placement-related funding.
social recs 2	8-9	-	Review period	Social work / residential staff	Carsewood	Review / continued residence	Further review forms record parental visits, behaviour, school and future action.	Direct evidence of continued residence and review.
social recs 2	11	-	Opening sheet	Renfrew County Council Children's Department	Family	Identity / care file	Opening sheet lists children, dates of birth, parents, addresses and date into care fields.	Direct identity and care-file evidence.
social recs 2	12	-	31.3.1971/1972	Social work case record	Carsewood Children's Home, Howwood	Admission / placement	Entry states Jacqueline and Samantha were received into care and placed in Carsewood House / Children's Home.	Strong direct placement evidence.
social recs 2	13-17	-	1971-1973	Social workers	Carsewood and family home	Chronology / contact / absences	Running case notes record family visits, contact, home circumstances, children remaining at Carsewood, school arrangements and parental access.	Direct contemporaneous chronology; numerous passages are partly redacted or difficult to read.

Category findings

Proof of placement and eligibility: Strong evidence: admission/placement forms, school change-of-address notices, review forms and ongoing case notes identify Carsewood Children's Home, Howwood, and continued residence.

Physical abuse: No clear direct allegation or incident of physical assault was legible in the supplied scans.

Sexual abuse: No clear direct allegation or disclosure of sexual abuse was legible in the supplied scans.

Emotional abuse: Some records describe difficult family relationships, fear/reluctance and behavioural presentation, but no clear direct evidence of staff emotional abuse was identified.

Neglect: Clear contemporaneous pre-care concerns: children left unattended, sometimes without food, poor cleanliness/clothing and poor school attendance.

Disclosures / complaints: Complaints by neighbours and family/legal disputes are recorded; no clear abuse disclosure by a child was identified.

Institutional knowledge / failure to act: The records show social-work and police/juvenile-liaison awareness of family neglect and repeated monitoring. No clear institutional abuse cover-up was identified.

Mental-health / impact: Behaviour, school adjustment and apprehension about school moves are recorded; no formal psychiatric diagnosis tied to abuse was identified.

Contradictory evidence: Several dates are difficult to reconcile because of scan quality, including 1971 references alongside a clear 31.3.1972 placement record. Positive descriptions such as “settled,” “well and happy,” and “doing well” also appear.