

Foster Mother: Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street,
Newburgh.

FORM 'C'

Ref. No.

Sheet No. 3

Date

SOCIAL WORK PROGRESS NOTES

7.3.72

A further development with William has come to light. It seems he had stolen a gun and had given this to another boy. It was not known whether charges would be preferred.

9.3.72

Visited. I now had some information that I wanted to pass on to William, and I informed him that his mother's name was Jane McBain or Taylor, that she had been divorced, and then had met his father Mr. Leighton. We did not know Mr. Leighton's present whereabouts, nor the whereabouts of his mother. From our records he had a sister, Euphemia Alexander Leighton, born 17.3.55, and a brother Daniel Ovenstone Leighton, born 1.3.56. These children had been received into the care of Dundee Children's Department on 28.9.57. I told William that his family had been evicted and that he had been received into care and placed with the Penmans in Bowhill. William said he could remember the Penmans and he had not liked it there. He could remember, too, moving to St. David's Children's Home and then to Mrs. Dewar. He asked if I could give him a note on a piece of paper and I did this.

William is at present helping a local cafe owner in some demolition and reconstruction work on a casual basis, but Mrs. Dewar is quite pleased about this because it keeps him occupied.

A. Ferrie

AF/US

Jan. 74

Home visited. Mrs. Dewar. Andrew and other foster children seen.

It appears that after an initial orientation period the boys are posted to a unit. Mrs. Dewar said she would keep me informed of any further movements.

Change Slip to Headquarters.

A. Ferrie

AF/MF

28.10.74

Visited this foster home

A. Ferrie, S.S.A.

F/TC

PROBATION SERVICE—SCOTLAND

Form PS/C

Name

Ref. No.

Foster Mother: Mrs. Dewar, 93 High St. Newburgh

Sheet No. 1

RECORD OF SUPERVISION—PART C

PROGRESS NOTES.

Date	Begin entry with type of contact, e.g. home visit, office interview, letter.
9.3.70	Home Visit - No reply.
17.3.70	Home Visit: Mrs. xxxxxx seen. Both William and Andrew appear to be very happy in this home and there would not appear to be any immediate problem. Mrs. Dewar has an additional two children in the home but this would appear to be a temporary arrangement,
31.3.70	Visited: For purpose of taking other children in care to see father and spoke to the lads who appear to be very happy and settled.
20/6/70	Request to Headmaster for School Report.
17/7/70	Completed report received from Headmaster. In remedial class and satisfactory report.
28.12.70	Home Visited: Mrs. Dewar and all the children seen. Andrew along with his brother and Marcus were busy enjoying playing billiards on a middle sized table that Mrs. Dewar had bought them for Christmas. There does not seem to be any behaviour difficulties at the present time and I discussed with Mrs. Dewar, how much she knew about the boys background. Mrs. Dewar had very little knowledge of this in fact she said that she had been upset when the boys had come home from school saying that someone had suggested that they were orphans and they had asked her this. I promised Mrs. Dewar I would piece together a background history from the case records and would discuss this with her next time I visited. Material conditions satisfactory.
8.1.71	Visited and saw Mrs. Dewar. We talked for some time about the details that I had pieced together of William and Andrew's background and Mrs. Dewar found this helpful. We did not however think that the time was ripe for introducing the boys to any of their siblings in care of Dundee Social Work Department.
21.9.71	Home Visited: Mrs. Dewar, William and Andrew Leighton and Douglas and Jeannie seen. The children were all home from school and during my visit watched television. Mr. Dewar is at present in California visiting relations. This foster home provides a very good stable environment for both these boys and it is looked upon as there permanent home.

A. Ferrie.

A. Ferrie

Date	PROGRESS NOTES
10. 1.72	Visited Mrs. Dewar in connection with the Watsons attending the Hearing. We talked about Andrew and William. William is keen to join the Boys Service and already has been to Dundee to make application. I felt that this would be good for the boy and said that I would encourage him in his application. William is inclined to remain in his shell and does not talk much about his inner thoughts. There have been instances of petty pilfering and Mrs. Dewar had discovered that William has been the culprit. She cannot understand why this should be as the children are always well provided for.
13. 1.72	Called again to see Mrs. Dewar. This time I was collecting the Watson children for their Hearing. Mrs. Dewar has said that she has had no further problems with the Leightons. Later in the afternoon, when I returned the Watson children, I was able to Meet William and Andrew. William had an application form for the Boys Service, and together we completed this. Although still very quiet, he seemed to be keen on being accepted for the Army.
3. 2.72	Visited this foster home again in connection with the Watson children. Spoke to Mrs. Dewar briefly about the Leighton boys, but Mrs. Dewar seemed at this time to be pre-occupied with the Watsons leaving. We talked about how this would affect the Leighton children and wondered if this would unsettle them. Mrs. Dewar said that they had not talked much about the Watsons leaving.
16. 2.72	Medical report received in respect of William and [redacted] Satisfactory. No abnormalities discovered.
29. 2.72	Received telephone message from Mr. Ogilvie, Cupar, to say that there had been some trouble with Mrs. Dewar and William. He had again been caught pilfering and when spoken to about this had become very aggressive and had sworn at Mr. Dewar. Mrs. Dewar was concerned that if his behaviour continued like this, it would affect his chances of being accepted for the Army. Told Mr. Ogilvie that I would visit. Visited Mrs. Dewar. She was very upset at the breakdown in relationship between her husband and the boy. It seems to me that Mrs. Dewar has more insight into the particular difficulties that the boy is experiencing at this time than her husband. I had the opportunity of speaking to William on his own as he has now left school. He is finding difficulty in obtaining employment and will have around eight weeks to wait before going to Shorncliffe (he has now been accepted for the Boys Service). While talking with William up in the back garden in one of the outhouses, I was able to raise with him some of the problems I felt might be affecting his behaviour at the present time, and asked him if he wondered about his mother and other members of his family. William was able to say that he did think at times about this. While leaving, I met Mrs. Dewar in the High Street, and told her of my conversation with William and I tried to link in her mind, the problem the boy was having at the moment with his own identity and the stealing.

Name LEIGHTON, William 26. 1.57

Ref. No.

Sheet No.

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RECORD OF SUPERVISION—PART C

PROGRESS NOTES.

Senior Social Worker: A. Ferrie

Children in Care

Date

Begin entry with type of contact, e.g. home visit, office interview, letter.

Mother - Jane McBain, Taylor or Anderson, last known address [redacted]
Dundee.

Step-Father - deceased 1965 - whereabouts of ~~putative~~ father unknown.

[redacted]

[redacted]

William was registered at Dundee West Registry Office [redacted]
Both on the form used for a married woman living apart from her
husband under another name - illegitimate of Jane Leighton, formerly
McBain or Taylor - no father registered.

[redacted]

William and Andrew came to live at No. 73 Ogilvie Street, Tayport
along with their step-brothers Angus and Colin Anderson when their
mother and step-father were evicted from their home in Dundee. The
above address was the home of the paternal grandmother. [redacted]
was sentenced to 60 days on 6.3.62 at Cupar Sheriff Court and it was
during his time in prison that mother claimed Mrs. Anderson, Sen.
was putting her out and the children were received into care. It
appears from the records that Mrs. Anderson was a rather feckless and
unstable individual and that already William and Andrew had been in
care in Dundee.

The boys were received into care on 18.5.62 and placed with Mrs. Penman,
2 x 11st Street, Bowhill. [redacted]

This fostering arrangement seemed to progress satisfactorily until
the boys showed some behaviour problems and were stealing from the home.
Coupled with this the foster mother wanted to start work so on 12.7.66
the boys were moved to St. David's Children's Home, St. Andrews. This
was most unfortunate for these children to have to move after being
four years in this foster home and it wasn't surprising that considerable
difficulties were experienced during their stay in St. David's.

William in particular was often involved in running away but at no time
did he take the initiative, other boys were seen as the leaders in these
excapes.

Efforts were made to find a suitable foster home which could offer a
permanent and secure home for William and Andrew and after a short
holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Dewar, 93 High Street, Newburgh they were
boarded out with them on 14. 7.67.

To provide security for the boys future the County Council assumed
parental/

P.T.O.

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(4 of 4)

Date

Senior Social Worker: A. Ferrie

PROGRESS NOTES

Children in care.

parental rights on 28. 5.1968.

The boys have made excellent progress in this very understanding and loving foster home. They are encouraged to engage in social activities outwith the home.

Both boys have remained in this foster home continuously apart from a short spell in Bridge of Earn Hospital (2 weeks) for an operation on undescended testicles.

A. Ferrie

Visits dated 28.12.70 and 8.1.71 are on the separate sheets (Progress) attached.

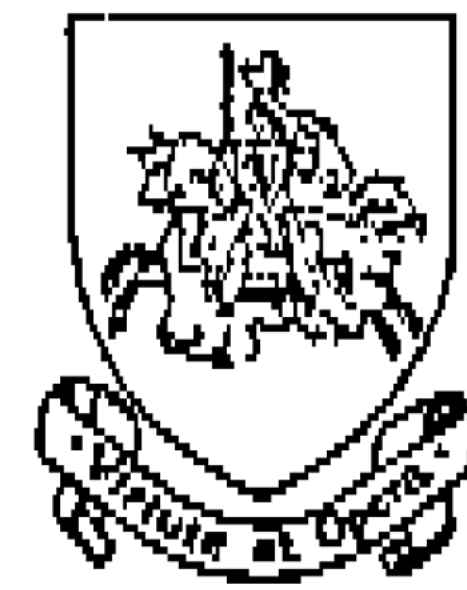
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FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL
HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
G. S. RIDDELL
M.D., D.P.M.



TELEPHONE 3722

COUNTY BUILDINGS

CUPAR, FIFE

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

RG/EK 1/44

27th January, 1971

Miss Walker,
Assistant Director of Social Work,
Flemington Road,
GLENROTHES.

SOCIAL WORK DEPT.

29 JAN 1971

HEADQUARTERS

Dear Miss Walker,

Herewith are the reports of Boarded Out Children recently examined.

X William Leighton, (26.1.57) 93 High Street, Newburgh; examined on 21.1.71; This boy is making good progress but was off school recently for three days because of a furuncle on his forearm.

Yours sincerely,

R. Gardiner,
Senior Medical Officer.

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AF/DS

William J.G. Fox
Area Social Work Organiser

17th May, 1972.

Dear Dr. Grant,

William Leichter, Born 26.1.57
c/o Foster mother Mrs. Dwyer
93 High Street, Banham.

The above-named boy has joined the Boys Service and on the 8th May, 1972, was stationed at Junior Infantry Battalion, Moore Barracks, Shornecliffe, Kent.

Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM J.G. FOX
Area Social Work Organiser

Dr. H.P.S. Grant,
Senior Medical Officer,
County Buildings,
CHFA,
KX15 4HF

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CHILD MOVEMENT REPORT

For Office Use

Name(s) of Child(ren) **William Leighton**

Case Register Number(s)

Date(s) of Birth **26.1.57**

From **c/o Foster Mother Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street,
Newburgh.**

To **Junior Infantry Battalion,
Moore Barracks,
Shorncliffe, Kent. (TEL FOLKSTONE 38121)**

Date **8th May, 1972.**

School last attended

School to be attended

Child's Doctor

Birth Certificate

Medical Card

Milk Token Book

Clothing

If child(ren) is being removed from foster parents should clothing allowance be paid up to date? YES/NO

Remarks

Initial of Social Worker
A. Ferrie, Glenrothes.

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Mr. A. Ferrie
Senior Social Worker

Miss Walker, Asst. Director of Social Work

AF/MS

17th March, 1972.

WILLIAM LEIGHTON

Please find attached Form of Parents Consent for the above named boy who intends joining the Boys Service. You will note that Mr. Dewar has signed this form but I think it should be countersigned by Mr. McNicol and returned to the Army Careers Information Office, 29-31 Bank Street, Dundee.

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FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM Miss Walker, Glenrothes. TO Mr. Bellshaw, Glenrothes.

OUR REF. JLW/DDJ.

YOUR REF.

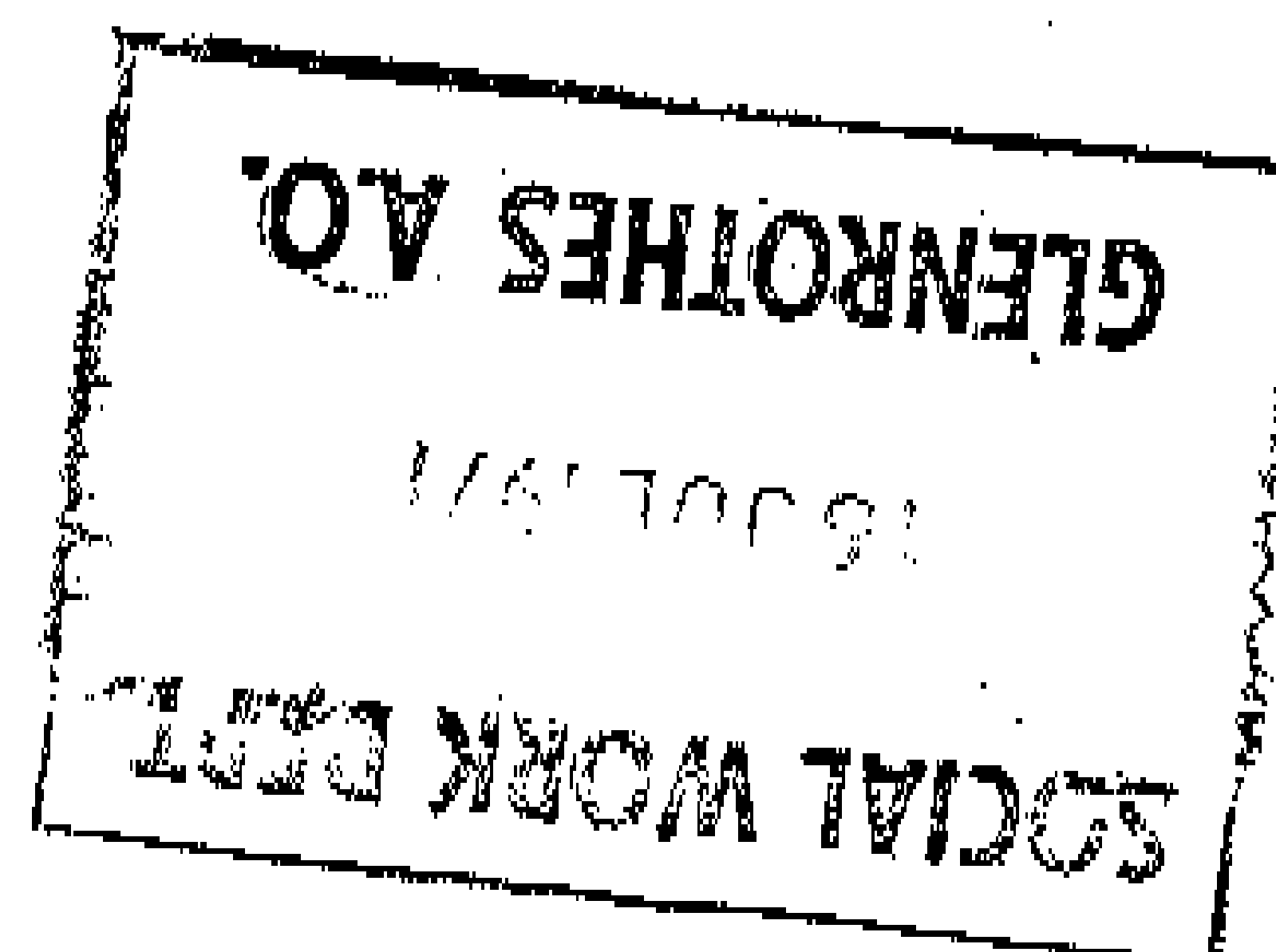
WEB/DS.

DATE 15.7.71.

SUBJECT: William Leighton b. 26.1.57
c/o Mrs. Dewar, 93 High Street, Newburgh

Thank you for your report on the above-named who was excessively belted by a teacher at the school. I am considering writing a short letter to Mr. McLaren regarding the incident and shall advise you of the action I take in due course.

When I visited Mrs. Dewar earlier this week she advised me that Billy had been given a completely new watch from the school and this would appear to have helped him overcome some of his anxieties about school. Mr. Dewar has not yet heard from Mr. McLaren but I hope the headmaster will see him after the school holidays. Mrs. Dewar is still somewhat irate about the situation and I think justifiably so.



P.L.

A.F.

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SURNAME LEIGHTON DATE OF BIRTH 26.1.57. EDUCATION
CHRISTIAN NAMES William SOCIAL WELFARE

	ADDRESS	FROM	TO	SCHOOL	A.M.O.
1	Mrs. Fernan, 17, Balderran Drive, Bowhill.	1.11.62.			
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FAMILY BACKGROUND. Mother evicted.

SPECIAL REPORTS.

DATE	VISION		HEIGHT (Ins.)	WEIGHT (Lbs.)
	R.	L.		
24/9/63	6/6	6/6	45 1/4	47.00
9/9/64	6/9	6/6	46 3/4	50
1/9/65	6/6	6/6	48	54

REPORTS BY MEDICAL OFFICER.

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W. H. Bellshaw
Area Social Work Organiser

Miss Walker,
Assistant Director, Headquarters

WHE/DS

6th July, 1971.

William Leighton D.of B. 26. 1.57



The above-named children are boarded out to Mr. and Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street, Newburgh.

Mrs. Dewar informs me that the family are going to Edinburgh
for a holiday from 6th August to 13th August. Please can holidays
allowance be paid to Mrs. Dewar.

Many thanks.

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W. H. Bellshaw
Area Social Work Organiser

Miss J. L. Walker
Assistant Director of Social Work.

WHE/DS

6th July 1971

William Leighton, D.of E. 26.1.57
c/o Mr. and Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street, Newburgh.

Further to our telephone conversations in respect of the above-named lad, I am pleased to enclose the Progress Sheet concerning the incident at school.

I think it would be a good thing for us to express our concern to the school. This might prove supportive to Mr. McLaren in the management of his staff!

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FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL
SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

Social Work Department,
Area Office,
60, Central Way,
GLENROTHES,
Fife.

Our Ref: AF/ES

23rd June, 1971

Dear Sir,

Children in Care - School Report

Re: William Leighton.

As you will be aware the responsibility for the supervision of children in the care of this local authority was transferred to the Social Work Department in 1969 and at which time arrangements for obtaining school progress reports and relevant information on children concerned was changed. The arrangements of last year would appear to have worked successfully and I should be grateful therefore if you would let me have, as last year, the school report card on the above-named child for examination and return. Should there be any additional information available to you which is not covered in the report card and which you feel would be of benefit in our supervision of the child please complete and return the section below.

If you wish the Social Worker particularly to call and discuss the child concerned please do not hesitate to let me know.

I look forward to receiving the report card from you.

The Headmaster,
Bell-Baxter Junior High School,
CUPAR.
Fife.

Yours sincerely,

Area Social Work Organiser.

Name of Child: William Leighton Date of Birth: 26.1.57
School: Bell-Baxter Junior High School, Cupar.

Date Signature

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William Deighton, Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street, Newburgh.

FORM 'C'

Ref. No.
Sheet No. 5.

Date	SOCIAL WORK PROGRESS NOTES
23.10.74	Foster Home visited - Bill is stationed at Colchester - He had been due to go to Germany but because he was involved in a fight with a civilian, he has lost this opportunity. Mrs. Dewar informed that the soldier is the regular army - she thinks he will be posted to Northern Ireland at the beginning of the year. A. Tarnie, S.W.

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Fife County
Council

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

G. S. RIDDELL, M.D., D.P.H.
County Medical Officer

File
COUNTY BUILDING,
CUPAR, FIFE

Telephone Cupar 3722

In Reply Please Quote

Our Ref. RG/EK 1/44

Your Ref.

16th February, 1972.

Mr. McNicol,
Director of Social Work,
Social Work Department,
Aberdeen Road
GLASGOW.

RECEIVED
17 FEB 1972

Dear Mr. McNicol,

The under mentioned Boarded Out children have been medically examined and the findings are as follows:-

William Leighton (26.1.57), 93 High Street, Newburgh; examined on 31.1.72; apparently well, states he is going to join the Army.

Yours faithfully,

R. Girdiner,
Senior Medical Officer,

SOCIAL WORK DEPT

22 FEB 1972

GLASGOW A.O.

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FIFE EDUCATION COMMITTEE



BELL BAXTER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL. WESTPORT

A. McLAREN, B.Sc., Ph.D., A.R.I.C., Rector

T. ADAM, M.A., DEPUTE Rector

CUPAR, FIFE

TELEPHONE NO. 3327

Your Ref: AF/ES

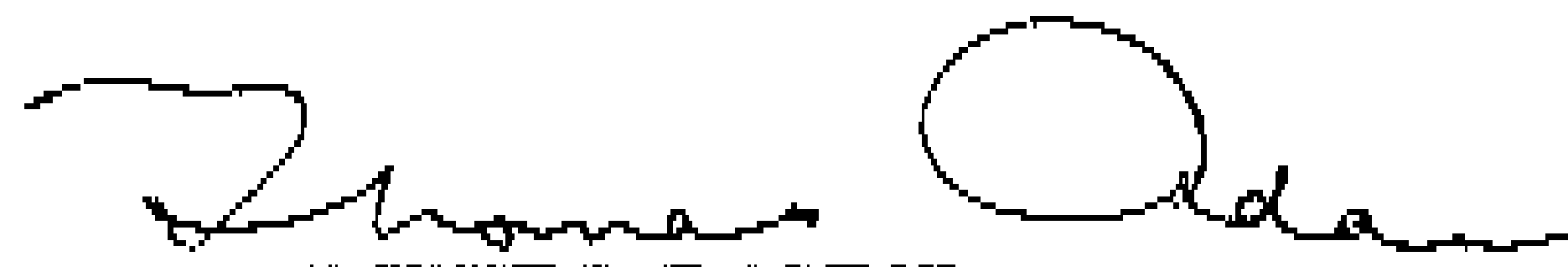
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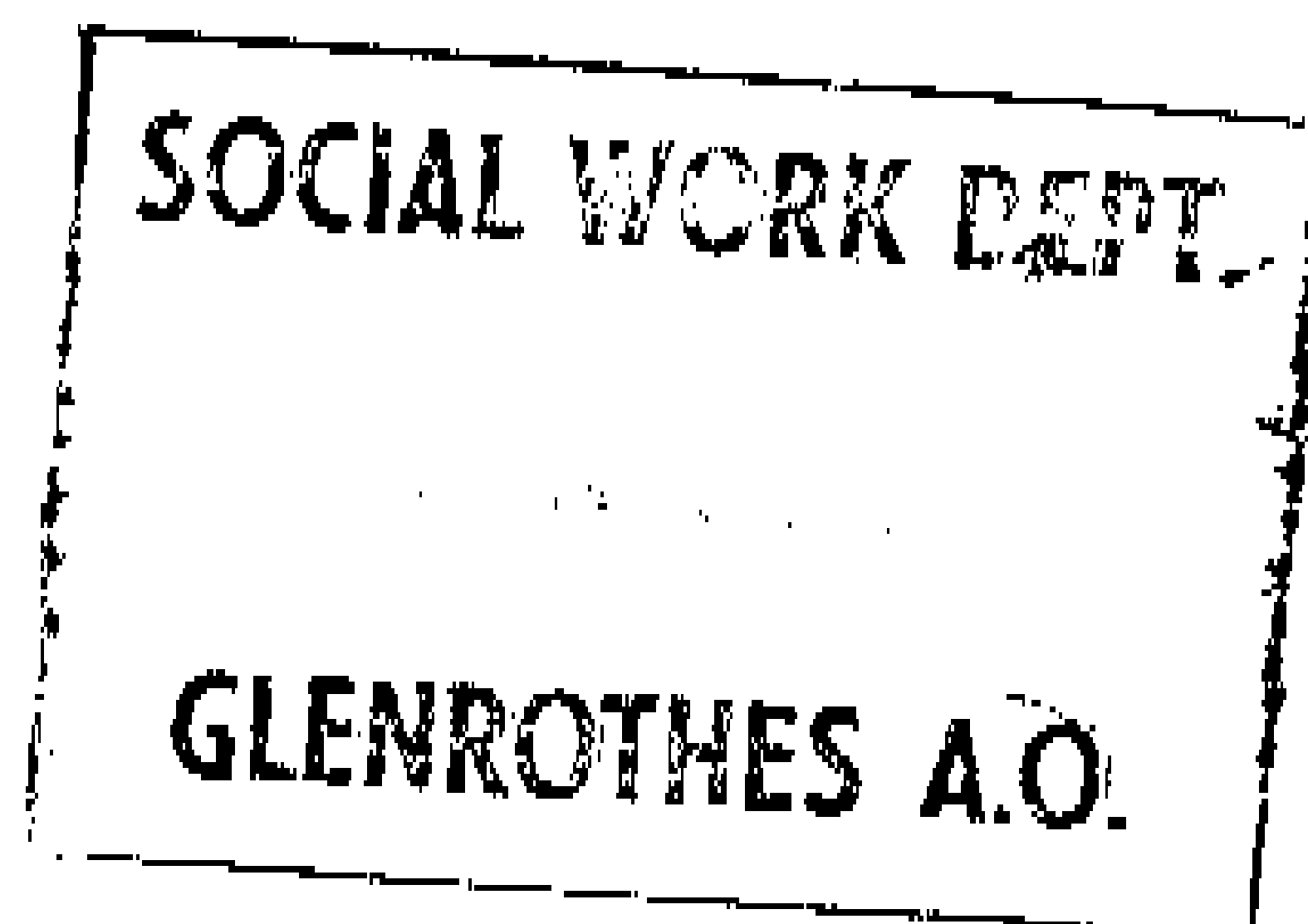
W.H. Bellshaw, Esq.,
Area Social Work Organiser,
Area Office,
60, Central Way,
GLENROTHES

Dear Mr. Bellshaw,

I enclose Report Cards for William and Andrew Leighton.

Yours sincerely,


DEPUTE Rector.



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LEIGHTON, William,
c/o Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street,
Newburgh.

Sheet No. 2

Date

PROGRESS NOTES

Senior Social Worker: A. Ferrie

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21.9.71

Home Visit: Mrs. Dewar, William, Andrew Leighton and Douglas and Jeannie seen. The children were all home from school and during my visit watched television. Mr. Dewar is at present in California visiting relations.

Idiscussed with Mrs. Dewar the incident involving William and the school teacher. She was still not happy about the explanation given and in fact Mr. Dewar had written to Dr. McLaren, Headmaster Bell-Baxter School, Cupar but had received no acknowledgement. He had then written to the Director of Education who had asked the school for a full report. Dr. McLaren had written to Mrs. Dewar asking her to arrange a suitable time for a visit to the school. Mrs. Dewar asked is I would accompany her during this visit. Agreed to do this. Spoke to William about this problem and he again kept to the same story that he had been speaking to a boy in the classroom and Mr. Cross had arrived on the scene and had administered the strap. William would like to join the Army when he leaves school(due to leave on the 6.2.72). He had already applied for this and is to be interviewed shortly in Perth. He is growing into a fine boy and I am sure he will do well in the Army.

On my return to the office I telephoned Dr. McLaren and made an appointment for us to visit the school on Friday 24th Septemver, 1971 at 11.00 a.m.

24.9.71

In company with Mrs. Dewar visited Bell-Baxter High School, Cupar and together we discussed the problem which had arisen regarding William. Dr. McLaren said that from the schools point of view they were short of music teachers at the time and a trainee teacher had been in charge of William's class. It appears that she was unable to control this class of boys and there was a lot of noise. He said that it was normal in the school that if a noise was heard coming from any room he was pleased if any teacher investigated, this evidently occurred when a teacher was absent for some time from a class room. This is what had happened on this occasion and Mr. Cross who also is responsible for part of the administration of that particular class came on the scene. He arrived just in time to hear William say "what do you want". This remark seems to have been interpreted by the school to have been directed to the teacher which I think is a misunderstanding case. William says that he was turning round to speak to another boy. It would appear to me that the majority of the class had noticed the appearance of Mr. Cross and had gone quiet but William continued making a noise because he was unaware of the approach of Mr. Cross and he was the one selected to punishment, as appearing to be in the heat of the situation the cause of the trouble. This explanation was acceptable to both myself and Mrs. Dewar but we still felt that five strokes of the strap was excessive ~~punish~~ punishment particularly when the watch was broken as well. Dr. McLaren said that this was a difficult one for him to speak about as he could not assess after so long a time now the extent of the punishment. I then said that we were concerned because this boy had not had a stable early life and this was his first experience of a stable family. Dr. McLaren regretted that this incident had happened and wanted to be ~~assured~~ that William and the other members of the family were not having further difficulty in the school. We then spoke generally about William's future and Mr. McLaren said he would discuss with Mr. McGregor his form teacher, guidance in relation to the particular job he should be advised to take in the Army.

A. Ferrie

AF/ES

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	William Leighton, Date of Birth 26.1.57 c/o Mr. and Mrs. Dewar, 93 High Street, Newburgh. FORM 'C' Ref. No. Sheet No. <u>1</u>
Date	SOCIAL WORK PROGRESS NOTES W. BELLISHAW C.I.C.
1.7.71	<u>Telephone Call</u> received from Mr. S. Ogilvie, Social Worker, Cupar, to report that Mrs. Dewar had telephoned him saying that William had been excessively punished at school because of a slight misdemeanour. He had weals on his hands following a master belting him and his wrist wath was broken. <u>Home Visit</u>, 2 p.m. No reply. Card left saying I would call again after 4 p.m. Visited later and saw Mrs. Dewar and William and Andrew. <u>Presenting Problem.</u> Mrs. Dewar said that William had been in the music class, the teacher is Mrs. Fraser, and he noticed the boy in the next desk had his socks on inside out. William remarked on this to the boy and they were both laughing. Mr. Cross, who was passing the classroom, looked in the window and saw William talking. He called to the teacher "Can I have William Leighton in my room for two minutes please". Whereupon he took William and gave him six of the belt. The strap went up the lad's wrist marking his hand and breaking the caseement of his watch which fell to the floor. The foster parent felt that this punishment was excessive, having been given by a master who was not in charge of the classroom. When I saw William he had no marks on his hands. It appeared he had been bathing them in cold water. According to the foster mother, Mr. Cross, the woodwork teacher, has a bad reputation in the school and is known as something of a bully. She said that six teachers could substantiate the fact that the discipline on William had been too strict. William had feelings about returning to the school after the summer holidays and in particular the fact that in the 3rd term he will be in Mr. Cross's class for woodwork. Apparently William is not in the habit of receiving the belt. I spoke briefly with the two boys and they went to another room to play billiards. I discussed in general terms the subject of fostering and education with Mrs. Dewar and agreed with her that the school seemed to have been over zealous in maintaining discipline, particularly so near the end of term. (school finishes tomorrow). <u>Telephone Call</u> to Mr. Adams, Depute Headmaster, who said he had no comments to make and would prefer that I discussed the matter with Mr. McLaren, the Rector. Mr. McLaren was not available because of the prize giving. I telephoned later and spoke to Mr. McLaren who said that while Mr. Cross was a strict disciplinarian, he was in no sense, a bully, and he was surprised to know that he had a poor reputation. Mr. McLaren felt that general discipline is a matter for the school and that if Mr. Cross, who is a career's master was supporting a female teacher in class discipline, this was not a bad thing. I agreed but said it would have been better if Mr. Cross had supported the teacher in another way, perhaps by speaking to the class. Mr. McLaren said that William had made a remark to the teacher which had to some extent incurred the wrath of Mr. Cross. Mr. McLaren was unable to tell me what the remark was and it was in no way offensive, "more like cheek". We agreed that adolescents should be helped to see that adults care sufficiently for them to set some limits and to have clear expectations of them. Perhaps one of the ways of showing such care is to show tolerance with authority giving young people the freedom and the time to conform spontaneously to the rules.

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Date	SOCIAL WORK PROGRESS NOTES
	<u>Conclusion.</u> as Social Workers we are, of course, involved in problems of the rights and responsibilities of the individual and those of society, and we are also close to practical problems and of implementing the democratic ideals of liberty, equality and justice on behalf of our clients and children in care. It seems to me that from this referral Mr. Cross, the school teacher, acted rather hastily and harshly especially when we consider this was the last week of term and also a music lesson which perhaps affords a greater degree of freedom in the classroom. Finally, this was a child in the care of the local authority and since emotional and educational needs are so closely interrelated I would have expected more insight from a member of the school staff in the "problems" of such pupils. Mr. McLaren said that Mr. Cross did not know William Leighton was a child in care and that he had received a letter from the foster father and he would be asking for Mr. Dewar to call and see him. The school are going to pay for the repair or replacement of the watch. <i>MS</i>

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~~XXXXXXXX~~ J. McNicol

AF/ES

11th October, 1971

Dear Mrs. Dewar,

The Extract of Birth Certificate has just arrived in the office this morning and rather than wait until I next visit you I thought I would post it on.

Hope everything goes well for William with his application for the Army.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Senior Social Worker

Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street,
NEWBURGH.
Fife.

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XXXXXXXXXXXX J. McNicol

AF/ES

27th September, 1971

Dear Sir,

William Leighton, B. 26. 1.57

I would be grateful if you would forward me a full copy of the Birth Certificate of the above named boy who is in the care of Pife County Council. His father is deceased and mother is Jane McBain, Taylor or Anderson. William was born in Dundee, Angus.

I enclose a postal order for 40 p. to cover cost.

Yours faithfully,

Area Social Work Organiser.

The Registrar General,
Registrar House,
EDINBURGH, 2.

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FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL

3 OCT 1966

FROM Child Care Officer,
Mr. Ogilvie

TO Senior Child Care Officer, Mr. Burdon

OUR REF.

SO/SP/ES

YOUR REF.

DATE 30.9.66

SUBJECT:

William Leighton 8 years

Foster Home (long term) required for above mentioned boys. Both at the moment at St. David's. Recent reports indicate that both boys are doing well, and will be ready for fostering in the near future.

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~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ J. McNicol

AW/ES

12th October, 1971

Dear Sir,

William Leighton, - 26285

Thank you for sending on the Birth
Certificates in respect of the above named children.
I now enclose Postal Orders to the value of 50p which
were omitted in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

Area Social Work Organiser.

Search Unit,
General Register Office,
New Register House,
EDINBURGH
EH1 3YT

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FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL
SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

SOCIAL WORK DEPT.
20 JUL 1970
GLENROTHES A.O.
40 Central Way,
GLENROTHES.
Fife.

26th June, 1970

Dear Sir,

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Children in Care - School Report

Re: William Leighton B. 26.1.57

As you will be aware the responsibility for the supervision of children in the care of this Local Authority was transferred to the Social Work Department last year and with the resultant re-organisation it has been found necessary to change the arrangements previously made for obtaining school progress reports and relevant information on the children concerned.

Ideally it would be desirable for the Social Worker responsible for the care of each child to maintain contact with the Head Teacher throughout the child's school career but this is frequently not possible due to the pressure of other work and so we must continue to ask your co-operation in forwarding written reports.

I should be grateful therefore if you would let me have the school report card of the above named child for examination and return. Should there be any additional information available to you which is not covered in the report card and which you feel would be of benefit in our supervision of the child please complete and return the section below.

If you wish the Social Worker particularly to call and discuss the child concerned please do not hesitate to let me know.

I look forward to receiving the report card from you.

The Headmaster,
Bell-Baxter Junior High,
CUPAR.
Fife.

Yours sincerely,

H. A. Bullock

Area Social Work Organiser.

Name of Child: William Leighton

Date of Birth: 26.1.57

School: Bell-Baxter Junior High.

This boy is in a Remedial Class. He is working within his abilities, & I have had no report on him to cause concern. The same is true of his brother.

Date *17/7/70*.....

Signature *Thomas Cuthbert*.....

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Reg. No. 48/1953.

C.A. 1948

FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL — CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

CONFIDENTIAL

Name of Child LEIGHTON, William Date of Birth 26.1.57 Religion Prot. Schools attended _____Home Address c/o 73 Ogilvie St., Tayport Place of Birth Dundee Date received into care 18.5.62
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Guardian	Address	Boarded-out	Allment	Father	Age	Mother	Age
Mrs. Penman, 2 x 11th Street, Bowhill.		18.5.62.		Parentage		Jane McBain or Taylor	
" " 17 Balderran Drive, Bowhill.		1.11.62.		Address		or Anderson.	
				Subsequent Addresses			
				Occupation		Domestic worker.	
				Contribution			

Other Members of Family Andrew, 48/1954; Colin Anderson, 48/1894; Angus Anderson, 48/1893.Family Background Mother evicted.

MEDICAL HISTORY

Whooping Cough	Measles
Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever
Mumps	Chicken-pox
Immunisation :— Diphtheria	Pneumonia
Whooping Cough	Other Diseases
Vaccination	

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Reg. No. 48/1953.

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Resolution Under Section 2 of the Children Act, 1948 - passed 3rd December, 1963.

CONFIDENTIAL**FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL — CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT**Name of Child LEIGHTON, WilliamDate of Birth 20.1.57Religion Prot.Schools attended DensfordHome Address 9/a 73, Ogilvie Street,Place of Birth DundeeDate received into care 18.5.62(L) Tayport.

Guardian	Address	Boarded-out	Aliment	Father	Age	Mother	Age
Mrs. Penman,	2 x 11th Street, Bowhill.	18.5.62.		Parentage		Jane McBain or	
"	17, Baldarran Drive, Bowhill	1.11.62		Address		Taylor or Anderson.	
				Subsequent Addresses			
				Occupation		Domestic worker	
				Contribution			

Other Members of Family Andrew 48/1954; Colin Anderson 48/1894; Angus Anderson 48/1893.Date Completed
HeronFamily Background Mother evicted; ~~2 children in prison.~~

CLOTHING

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PARENTAL RIGHTS OR COURT ORDERS Resolution under Section 2 of the Children Act, 1948 - passed 3.12.63

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CHILD'S NAME

LEIGHTON, William

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CHILDS NAME

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CHILD MOVEMENT REPORT

For Office Use

Name(s) of Child(ren) William Leighton

Case Register Number(s) 42/1953

Date(s) of Birth 26.1.57

From c/o Foster Mother Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street,
Newburgh.

To Junior Infantry Battalion,
Moore Barracks,
Shornecliffe, Kent.

Date 8th May, 1972.

School last attended

School to be attended

Child's Doctor

Birth Certificate

Medical Card

Clothing

If child(ren) is being removed from foster parents should clothing allowance be paid up to date? YES/NO

Remarks

Initial of Social Worker

A. Ferrie, Glenrothes.

A. Ferrie
pp. 22.

Band ✓
Comm. Sheet ✓
Foster Parent Card ✓
Aliment ✓
Letter to Foster mother ✓

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Milk Token Book

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Miss Walker, Glenrothes.

Mr. Bellishaw, Glenrothes.

JLW/DDJ.

WEB/DS.

15.7.71.

William Leighton b. 26.1.57
c/o Mrs. Dewar, 93 High Street, Newburgh

Thank you for your report on the above-named who was excessively belted by a teacher at the school. I am considering writing a short letter to Mr. McLaren regarding the incident and shall advise you of the action I take in due course.

When I visited Mrs. Dewar earlier this week she advised me that Billy had been given a completely new watch from the school and this would appear to have helped him overcome some of his anxieties about school. Mr. Dewar has not yet heard from Mr. McLaren but I hope the headmaster will see him after the school holidays. Mrs. Dewar is still somewhat irate about the situation and I think justifiably so.

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FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM

W. H. Bellshaw
Area Social Work Organiser

TO

Miss J. L. Walker
Assistant Director of Social Work.

OUR REF.

YOUR REF.

DATE

WHB/DS

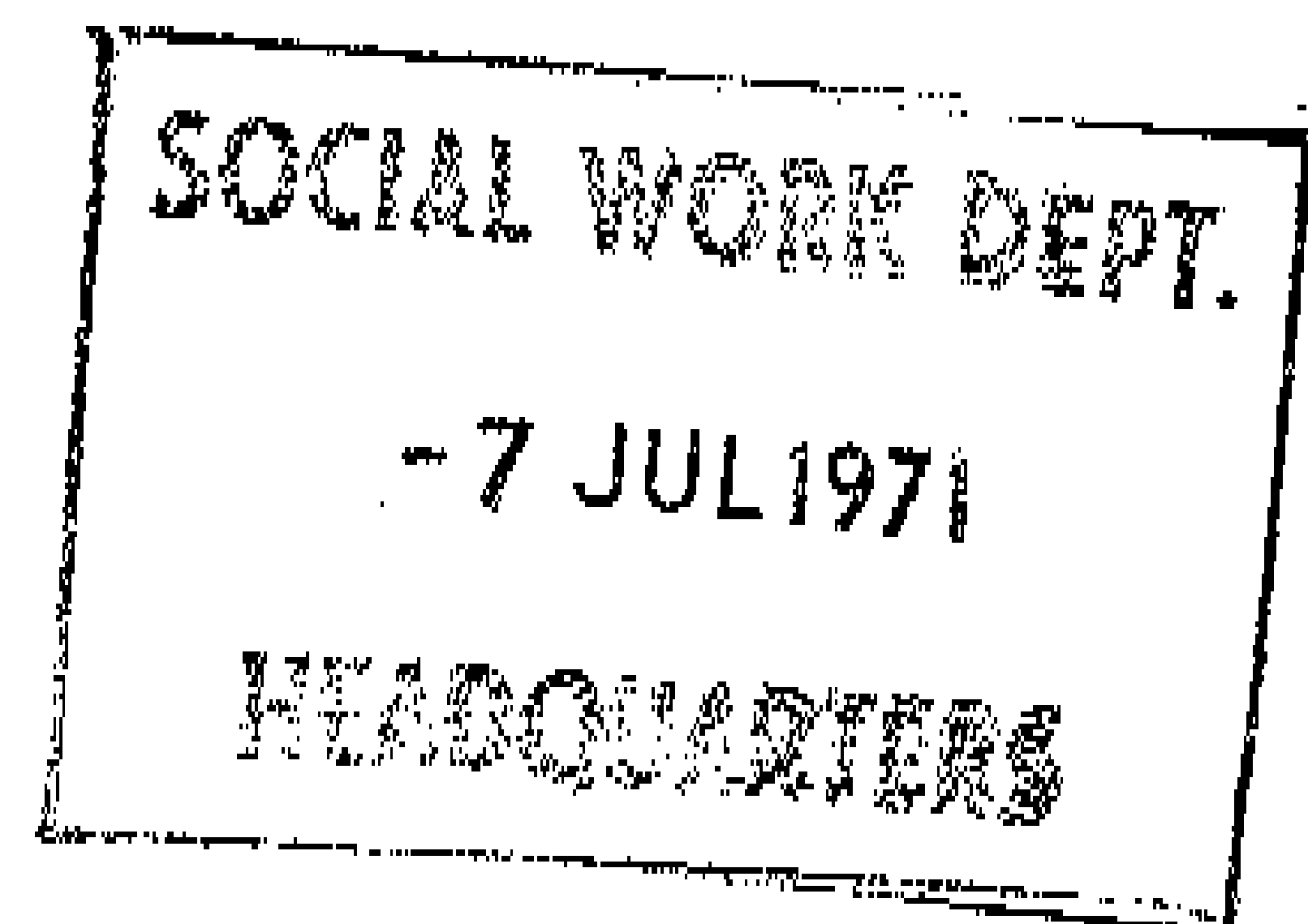
6th July 1971.

SUBJECT: William Leighton, D.of B. 26.1.57
c/o Mr. and Mrs. Dewar,
93 High Street, Newburgh.

Further to our telephone conversations in respect of the above-named lad, I am pleased to enclose the Progress Sheet concerning the incident at school.

I think it would be a good thing for us to express our concern to the school. This might prove supportive to Mr. McLaren in the management of his staff!

WHB.



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FIFE COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM Mr. A. Ferrie
Senior Social Worker

TO Miss Walker, Asst. Director of Social Work

OUR REF.

YOUR REF.

DATE

AF/MS

17th March, 1972.

SUBJECT: WILLIAM LEIGHTON

Please find attached Form of Parents Consent for the above named boy who intends joining the Boys Service. You will note that Mr. Dewar has signed this form but I think it should be countersigned by Mr. McNicol and returned to the Army Careers Information Office, 29-31 Bank Street, Dundee.

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20 MAR 1972

RECORDED

Forwarded 23.3.72 - J.

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CHILDREN ACT, 1948

Reg. No. 48/1953

Register of Children and Young Persons under the care of
Fife County Council

Name of Child or Young Person LEIGHTON, William.
Residence c/o 73 Ogilvie Street, Duffport.
Local Authority of ordinary residence F.C.C.
Date and Place of Birth 26.1.57. Dundee Religion Protestant.
Father Mother
Parentage Jane McBain ne Taylor ne Anderson
Address
Subsequent Addresses
Occupation Domestic Worker.
Other Members of Family Andrew 48/1954: Colin Anderson 48/1894.
Angus Anderson 42/1893.
Summary of circumstances Mother Elected.
Date of reception to care of Local Authority 18.5.62.
Date of Resolution 3.12.63
Date of intimation to parent
Date of Objection
Date of Complaint to Court
Date and Place of Hearing
Contribution
Variations
Dates of Immunisation against Diphtheria and Whooping Cough and of Vaccination

1953

Date

Manner in which dealt with and subsequent changes of guardian

18.5.62. Placed under the temporary guardianship of Mrs. Penman, 2 x 11th Street, Bawhill. Allowance of £2 granted.

1.11.62. Removed with guardian to 17 Baldernan Drive, Bawhill.

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