

CASE REVIEWS — CHILDREN IN CARE

RESIDENTIAL STAFF REPORT

Please include comments under the following headings:—

Focus of Work with the Child (aims agreed on admission or at last Review);

Treatment (e.g. approaches which effect positive responses in areas of control, responsibility, communications);

Family Process (e.g. perceived position in structure; pattern of relationship/roles; commitment/attachment; home-leave; visits, etc);

Personal progress (e.g. development of insight, self esteem, autonomy, maturation etc.);

Physical/Medical Condition (e.g. hygiene; diet; medication; enuresis; sleep; handicap; etc.);

Other Agencies Response to School (if applicable); Intermediate Treatment; Clubs etc.;

Prognosis (e.g. child's aspirations; capacity for change; suggestions of alternative treatment in view of increased understanding of child's behaviour).

NAME

ADDRESS IN CARE

D.O.B.

Tommy Tarbett

133 Broughty Ferry Rd.

16.7.73

Since the last review Tommy appears to have been more concerned about his family situation and the changes within the house group of Carolina House.

In respect of the first point Tommy would appear to talk less enthusiastically re fostering and be more anxious as to the whereabouts of his father and the lack of his visits. Tommy goes to the library every second Saturday to exchange books and it has now come to the attention of the staff that he could be using this unconsciously in the hope of meeting his father as the library is in the same vicinity his father frequents. Tommy would deny this suggestion.

As regards the changes in the house group Tommy has been unsettled during the admission period of two adolescent boys. It would appear to be an emotional reason and not one of physical threat. Tommy has been reassured that he is just as important as any other member of the group. During this period Tommy was very temperamental over what seemed trivial matters

and usually dissolved into tears or stormed off in the huff. One other explanation for his reactions could be related to the recent visit of Mr Tarbett and the broken promises he has made. Tommy's efforts to get over this hurdle have been hindered slightly due to the fact he has been physically run down, and now has the measles. This has caused him further disappointment as he is now unable to go on the camping trip. Tommy would perhaps seem to need a more definite idea of the facts concerning fostering and what this would mean in relation to future contact with his father.

Staff Signature Scott House Staff

Date

Comment of Senior Officer

Signature

Date