

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

RESIDENTIAL STAFF REPORT

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NAME	ADDRESS IN CARE	D.O.B.
Tommy Tarbett.	% Carolina House.	10. 3. 73.

Focus of Work.

Since the last Review there has been a reorganisation of the house groups within Carolina House. Tommy is now in a group relating more to his own age. Tommy appears to have settled well in the group however staff felt he has to work harder to assert himself in the group.

Treatment.

Tommy still poses no real behaviour problems, although of late he has become more stubborn in the company of his peers. Tommy still tends to be quiet and needs individual attention when talking about personal feelings and anxieties. In terms of personal and group responsibility, Tommy still when confronted, accepts the consequences of his actions. He has shown more progress than others in the group in facing up to responsibilities of chores, restrictions etc.

Family process.

Like Lisa, Tommy continues to look forward to his father's visits, and on a few occasions recently has sought to find Mr Tarbett by checking to see if he is within the premises of a nearby hotel. On August 6th Mr Tarbett appeared at the front door after 10 p.m.

He was under the influence of alcohol and his hair sprayed pink and blue, because of this he was talked into leaving by staff although this wasn't before both children had seen him and were visibly shaken and upset.

Derek Tarbett has recently began visiting Tommy & Lisa at Carolina House, however due to difficulties with his behaviour these visits have had to be restricted to a pre arranged basis, once a week.

personal progress.

Tommy continues to present himself as a pleasant and likeable boy. Although Tommy has other interests outwith Carolina House, he still enjoys being involved in the group. He appears to have reached a stage where he imitates his peers sometimes leading him to mischief.

Staff are working with Tommy regarding this and trying to point out the pitfalls. Tommy is still very self conscious of his colour, but seems to be more able to cope when called names ~~still~~ by laughing and answering back although sometimes still shows anger, b

physical / Medical condition.

Tommy appears to enjoy good health, occasional enuresis for a while after joining re arranged group. This seems to have ceased.

Other Agencies.

Tommy continues to make good progress at school. He is now a member of a football club and attends training regularly, he would appear to enjoy this hobby.

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prognosis.

At present Tommy appears quite settled in Carolina House.
If parental rights are assumed by the Region, following the
pending Court case. then we would hope to work towards
Tommy being fostered.

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TOMAS TARBETT	133 BROUGHTY FERRY ROAD.	16.7.72.

FOCUS OF WORK WITH THE CHILD

The aims agreed at the last review were that Tommy remain at Carolina House, family contact to be monitored, and liaison between Social Worker and Staff here continue, this has all been fulfilled.

TREATMENT

Tommy still poses no real behavioural problems within Carolina House. In general Tommy is easy to handle, as he accepts house rules and tasks put to him.

However Tommy has a temper and can then be very huffy / moody. At these times it is best to leave him alone to work through his feelings.

Tommy has made continual progress with his relationships with Staff and other residents within the house. This has encouraged him to be more communicative of his feelings.

For his age Tommy appears to be quite responsible in his attitude and actions, which means he is allowed more leeway from Staff.

FAMILY PROCESS

Tommy is the second youngest of five children. He and Lisa have a very close relationship and Tommy is quite protective of her. Tommy relates well to his three brothers and likes to keep in regular contact with them by phone.

Since the last review Mr Tarbett has visited on five occasions. Tommy's attitude has changed towards these visits ie, he now appears more excited and willing to spend more time with his Dad. Tommy enjoys visiting his two grans when Dad takes them. He has requested a visit to grannies over the holidays.

PERSONAL PROGRESS

Tommy presents as a likeable boy, with a mischievous streak in his character, although can on the contrary be quite shy and easily embarrassed at times.

Tommy's other qualities are that he is a helpful, willing and caring boy and an interesting person to be with.

Tommy is now more able to show affection toward Staff but appears more comfortable to do so on a one to one basis. Tommy likes individual attention but does not appear resentful when staffs attention has to be shared with the other children.

PHYSICAL / MEDICAL CONDITION

Tommy has attended the doctor as he had a skin infection in between his toes. This has since cleared and he appears to enjoy good health.

Tommy is not a habitual bed wetter but there have been approximately three occasions recently where he has wet the bed during the night. He is unable to discuss possible reasons as he is very embarrassed.

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THE AGENCIES

Tommy appears to be making satisfactory progress at school and would seem keen to do well.

Tommy is very competitive and finds it difficult to cope with defeat. It is hoped that his attendance at the school Chess Club will help him in this area. He is very enthusiastic about the club at present.

PROGNOSIS

Tommy would not appear to be unhappy within Carolina House, although has asked as to when he will be leaving. Whether this was asked out of curiosity, real feeling is difficult to ascertain.

Tommy has shown a greater interest in his family over the past three months but this has also caused him upset and disappointments.

Perhaps it is now more appropriate than ever that fostering should be considered for Tommy's future.

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