

TAYSIDE REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

Please include comments under the following headings:-

Pen picture of the child (including interests as well as physical and emotional attributes);

Summary of Work done since last Review (including frequency of visits);

Suitability of Placement (does it meet the child's needs? What are his views);

School Report (facts about attainment and potential. Also any behavioural or relationship difficulties);

Health (date of last medical and details of any treatment in addition to description of health);

Contact with natural parents/current home situation/parent's view re future);

Parental Contributions: Has parental assessment form been submitted to HQ?

Social Worker's views re future action (indicating why any changes in direction has taken place since last review/initial assessment. Also indicate why particular goals are used and link with understanding of child's behaviour).

NAME
William Tarbett

ADDRESS IN CARE
c/o [REDACTED]

DOB
9/7/91

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE

12 January 1995

DATE OF LAST MEDICAL INSPECTION

1 December 1995

DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT

DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)

PEN PICTURE

William is a very sturdy wee boy with a very amusing mature personality. William can be quite aggressive towards other children and he is very able to speak his mind with adults.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE

Home visits
Liaison with carers
Resource workers
Lily bank
Polepark
Children's Hearing 30 November 1995
Access Arrangements
Respite arrangements

PLACEMENT

William moved to [REDACTED] on 1 December 1995. Unfortunately there was a family bereavement on 20 December 1995. Up until this time [REDACTED] had been having some difficulties with [REDACTED] and William's behaviour. It was decided the boys should go to respite care with [REDACTED] for a period of two weeks until the family were able to resume care of the boys. Arrangements were also made for Mr & Mrs [REDACTED] to support Ms [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] and William spending some time with them.

[REDACTED] and William returned to [REDACTED] on 5 January 1996. They were very happy to be back with the family although there are some continuing problems with the boys behaviour. [REDACTED] has especially been concerned about William's sexualised behaviour.

LILYBANK FAMILY CENTRE

See Lilybank report. William has continued at Lilybank up to present. Plans were to move William to Foggily Nursery after the Christmas break but after further consultation it was decided that William should continue at Lilybank as he had already had so many changes in placement. William was very disappointed he was not starting his new nursery when [REDACTED] started his new school. Plans are that William should move to Foggieley Nursery.

CONTACT WITH NATURAL PARENTS

[REDACTED] has continued to see his mum on a weekly basis. These sessions continue to go well although they are often and the children often boisterous in their behaviour. The session previous to Christmas was especially rowdy as Ms Robertson had brought an excess of presents for the children. [REDACTED] looks forward to his access sessions with mum.

At a children's hearing on 30 November 1995, Mr Tarbetts access was continued at once monthly for one hour. The sessions have gone reasonably well with [REDACTED] attending the sessions before christmas. The children were disappointed that dad did not bring their presents along to access. [REDACTED] and William look forward to seeing dad. [REDACTED] has stated she does not wish to see dad but appears to be relaxed and enjoys her access after she is there. She often has 'tummy ache' previous to dads access sessions

HEALTH

William continues to be of good health

POLEPARK

See Polepark report, William is to continue sessions at Polepark.

.FUTURE ACTION

Change of social worker to Philip McGill permanence team. Marion Selfridge to complete Form E.

Liaison with:-

Carers
Social workers
Polepark
Parents
Access arrangements
Change of nursery

Signed 
(Social Worker)
Date 16/1/96

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NOTES OF MEETING HELD AT KIRKTON SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT ON TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER 1995

Present

Ms J Roberts, Group Manager (Children & Families), SWD, Kirkton - Chair
Ms L Cameron, Manager (Children & Families), SWD Whitfield
Mr G Bowie, Senior Social Worker, SWD Whitfield
Ms M Selfridge, Social Worker, SWD Whitfield
Ms L Simpson, TRC Solicitor, Department of Law & Admin, Tayside House
Mr D Tarbett
Mr Boath, Mr Tarbett's Legal Representative

Purpose of Meeting

Following introductions, Ms Roberts confirmed the basis on which the meeting had been arranged by the Social Work Department. This was in response to Mr Tarbett indicating his continuing dissatisfaction of the level of communication by the Department to him regarding:

- a) information given about his children while they are in care,
- b) information about plans for the children's future.

Mr Tarbett has also requested that another social worker be allocated to his children's case.

Mr Tarbett agreed with the above.

Ms Roberts went on to explain that the Review Children's Hearing scheduled for Thursday 30 November, which Mr Tarbett requested on the basis of seeking more frequent access to his children is totally separate from this meeting. She noted the Hearing appointed a Safeguarder (Mrs Fowls) who will present a report on the basis of the children's interests. Whatever recommendations this Department makes in regard to the children must be within the framework of the law. The TRC legal representative has been invited to attend on the basis that the Department continues to exercise its duties in a lawful manner.

Ms Roberts asked Mr Tarbett if there were any other reasons for this meeting taking place, whereby Mr Boath pointed out the Social Work Department convened this forum.

Information About the Children

It is confirmed that monthly access between Mr Tarbett and the children now occurs. Mr Tarbett's view is that in a period of over a year the Social Work Department have not actively sought to give him information about the children, all responsibility resting with him. His perception is that the relevant Assistant Director had agreed he was entitled to weekly information.

Ms Selfridge disputed Mr Tarbett's statements re unwillingness to share information. She indicated that Mr Tarbett had attended a meeting at her request but had refused to discuss anything to do with the boys being moved. She had also telephoned Mr Tarbett about the boys' circumstances. Mr Tarbett indicated at the meeting he should have any information in writing.

Ms Roberts confirmed the recent commitment given by the Department that information would be given in writing to Mr Tarbett on alternate weeks. She sought and received agreement from Mr Tarbett to having verbal information via the telephone on the alternate week. The pattern would therefore be:

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Information in writing > tele call > information in writing > access + verbal information			

The Social Work Department Has Not Informed Him re Planning

In order to permit him properly to consult his solicitor, Mr Tarbett indicated he had asked for all information re planning for his children's care to be in writing. He stated in March 1995 he had received a letter stating the children would never be returned to his care.

Ms Roberts confirmed that on the basis of the information which the Department has gathered it is the recommendation that the children should not be returned to his care. She re-emphasised once again that the Department is bound to carry out its duties within the framework of the law.

It is Ms Roberts' understanding that the reasons for this recommendation have been given in writing to Mr Tarbett and also formed the basis of a meeting chaired by Ms Cameron at Whitfield on 20.6.95, at which Mr Boath was also present. Given Mr Tarbett's apparent difficulty in recollecting the focus of such discussion Ms Cameron recalled in general terms this was in relation to feedback from the work done at St Matthews, which indicated it was in the children's best interests not to be returned home. Ms Cameron noted that in April because of concerns about the quality and focus of access, contact between Mr Tarbett and the children had been suspended until these concerns could be discussed with him. This had occurred at the June meeting and the Department identified monthly access as more appropriate. Mr Tarbett had not agreed and indicated he would challenge this decision through the Children's Panel (which is the focus of the imminent Review Children's Hearing). Mr Tarbett continued to believe he was not made adequately aware of the basis of reducing access.

Mr Bowie pointed out he and the case worker had visited Mr Tarbett on 6.3.95 to make him aware of planning in the case and this was reinforced in writing in a letter dated 9.3.95 to Mr Boath.

There remained obvious disagreement between Mr Tarbett and the SWD regarding the information given. It was noted all present will receive a copy of the notes of the meeting today.

In regard to access, Mr Boath stated that in his opinion the outcome of the earlier Section 49 appeal which was a judgement by the Sheriff that the SWD rethink recommendations regarding access meant that the Department's previous intentions of seeking to terminate access and ultimately place the children for permanency were no longer valid.

Ms Roberts clarified that access and the Department's recommendation of what is in the children's best interests in regard to their long term care are two separate issues.

Mr Tarbett has challenged the first through the Children's Hearing system who will also have a Safeguarder's report available. Mr Tarbett's legal representative sought some practical information about who would chair the Review Hearing and was advised to seek such information from the Reporter. Whatever the decision of that Hearing, the SWD is bound to comply. Ms Roberts emphasised the importance of contact between Mr Tarbett and the children; should be of good quality and a positive experience for the children. In the past, the Department has had serious concerns that this was not the case. Mr Tarbett challenged the feasibility of making an hour's contact "fun".

Mr Tarbett wishes the children to be returned to his care. In Mr Tarbett's view the children were removed from his care "for no reason". Ms Roberts pointed out that the Department never sought to separate children from their families unless circumstances warrant such action. In this case a Children's Panel had taken the exceptional decision to issue Place of Safety Warrants at the Hearing because of the level of concern they felt for the children's welfare. Mr Tarbett stated that the Panel had identified a time limit of a year for the children to be in care and there had not been

another Hearing since to consider the children's circumstances. The workers noted that a Panel was held in August and despite their previous attempts to explain the responsibilities of the Hearing system, Mr Tarbett remains of the opinion that the decision making has not been just, in terms of his wish to have the children returned to his care.

In returning to the issue of the quality of the contact between Mr Tarbett and the children, Ms Roberts sought to encourage Mr Tarbett's agreement in writing not to use this time to vent his feelings to the supervising worker, or to seek to have the children give him information about their mother. Mr Tarbett indicated he does not now talk to the supervising social work staff member, and if the children volunteer information about their mother or other circumstances - which he feels is only natural - it is right to ask them questions about this. Mr Tarbett obviously continues to feel aggrieved at the circumstances of the children's mother, in his view, being looked on much more favourably than his own. In his view he has not behaved so badly yet she has had more involvement with the children than him.

Following the imminent Children's Panel decision regarding frequency of access the SWD will seek Mr Tarbett's agreement in writing about the necessary steps to encourage positive contact.

Change of Social Worker

Ms Roberts informed Mr Tarbett that if the Department's recommendation of seeking permanent alternative care for the children is endorsed, by the Permanence Panel the casework responsibility will transfer, in the normal way, to the Permanency Team resulting in different staff being responsible for the case. At this stage the Department is gathering information to support the recommendation of permanent alternative care.

Mr Tarbett asked specifically what this evidence of poor parenting is and reaffirmed his statements about no written confirmation being given to him.

Ms Roberts made reference to longstanding concerns since 1993 of how the children were cared for or identified instances of lack of care, several child protection investigations; descriptions by the children of incidents of violence to themselves or others. If Mr Tarbett wished to challenge such evidence or present counter-evidence in support of his opinion that he can be a responsible parent that, of course, is his right. It is the SWD's view that every opportunity was offered Mr Tarbett to help him demonstrate he could offer safety and security to the children, which he could not do to the satisfaction of this Department or Children's Panel. Mr Tarbett obviously continues to believe that his previous period as carer of the children was a positive experience for them.

Mr Tarbett was asked if he understood the basis of the proposed transfer of case and the recommendations about access to a Children's Hearing. Mr Tarbett made no response.

Mr Tarbett feels the number of different Children's Panel members who have considered these circumstances of the children (three different Hearings) is not in his favour. It was pointed out that a different conclusion could be taken from this, each Hearing taking an independent view.

Asked if he had any further issues for discussion, Mr Tarbett raised the point of the children's mother being told by social workers that if she left him the children would be returned to her care. The relevant social workers denied this allegation.

Summary

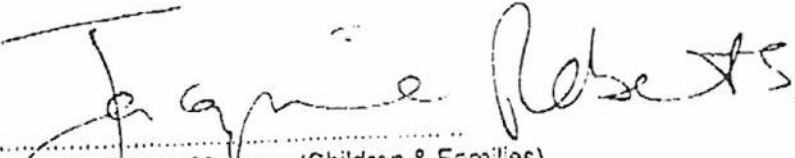
Ms Roberts emphasised the most important issue is to ensure the children's future wellbeing through a stable and safe childhood and that remains the focus of this Department's involvement. From the information which the Department has available, this is not likely to occur if the children are returned to Mr Tarbett's care. The Department does not take such decisions lightly and all concerned would have preferred an outcome whereby advice and support led to a successful

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rehabilitation to their family. However, Mr Tarbett refused to co-operate with the work and evidence of his lack of care is available in records held by the SWD and in correspondence with Mr Tarbett's legal representative. Again Mr Tarbett challenged the basis on which he failed to co-operate with the work identified and was referred to his legal representative to ensure this was presented at the appropriate time.

The Department would continue to seek to work with Mr Tarbett to make his contact with the children as positive as possible. Following the decision of the Imminent Children's Hearing the Department would hope to work with Mr Tarbett for the best interests of the children, which was of paramount concern. If the Permanence Panel agrees to the recommendation of permanency, case transfer should occur within a matter of weeks.

Having agreed there was no further basis for discussion the meeting ended. Minutes will be circulated as soon as possible.


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Social Work Department, 6 Kirkton Road, Dundee

Manion Selfridge
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Tayside Regional Council
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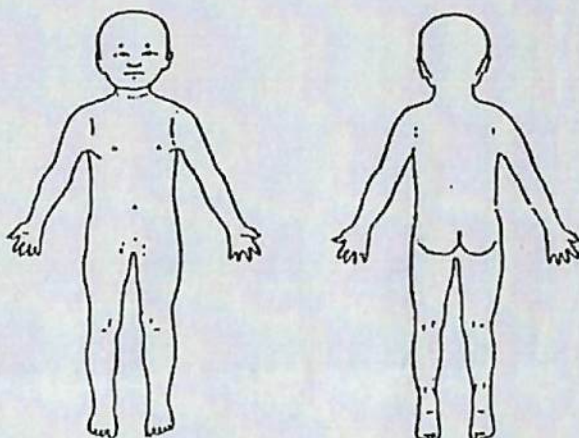
MEDICAL REPORT ON CHILD COMING INTO CARE

Surname TARBETT Forenames WILLIAM
Date of Birth 9 7 91 Age 4y 10 1/2 Sex M
Date of Admission Into Care School/Nursery Attended Lilybank C+Fc
Examination Requested By SW Depr Child Accompanied By Mrs McArthur
Place of Examination Berry Clinic Date of Examination 1 12 95

1 General Physical Appearance of Child

(Note especially any evidence of infection, neglect or injury)

nil of note



2 Measurements

Weight 21.6 Kgs 97th Percentile
Height/Length 105.5 Cms 50th Percentile
Head Circumference Cms Percentile

Comment

3 Physical Examination (Appropriate to Age and Circumstances)

	N/D/A	Comments
a) Skin and Hair	☐	<u>slightly rough skin? reaction to washing powder.</u>
b) Teeth	☒	
c) Eyes	☒	
d) Ears, Nose and Throat	☒	
e) CVS	☒	
f) Blood Pressure (If Applicable)	☐	
g) Respiratory System	☒	
h) Alimentary System	☒	
i) Genitalia/Testes (Males Only)	☒	
j) Nervous System	☒	
k) Locomotion/Posture	☒	

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available and give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Normal

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Vision 6/6 6/6 drawing skills poor - copies
circle, not cross. Weak tripod grip.

Hearing/Communication

fair for age. No concerns. A bit shaky on knowledge
of colours.
reviewed by Speech Therapy -
Social/Behaviour
Poor at times.

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

Asthma:

Ventolin inhaler - for use as required
- hasn't needed it in last 14 months

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Inadequate Information

7 Treatment Required (if any) and note of action taken

Ventolin inhaler to be available.
- make sure its not expired.

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Specify

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment - review at C+FC by
community child health to
check pencil skills / behaviour
prior to school entry -

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged



Referred to
Specialist
Paediatrician



Social Worker
Informed



Specify Will be reviewed at C+FC around April 96.

Signature of Doctor S P Dewar

Name (in block capitals) SUSAN P DEWAR

Designation SCMO -

Time 3.30pm

Date 1.12.95

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent

Discussed w Foster Mum -

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SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

Please include comments under the following headings:-

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HEALTH (date of first medical and details of any treatment in addition to description of health);

CONTACT WITH NATURAL PARENTS/CURRENT HOME SITUATION/PARENTS' VIEWS RE FUTURE;

PARENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS (has parental assessment form been submitted to HQ?)

SOCIAL WORKER'S VIEWS RE FUTURE ACTION (indicating why any change in direction has taken place since last review/initial assessment. Also indicate why particular goals are used and link with understanding of child's behaviour);

NAME

William Tarbett

ADDRESS IN CARE

c/o

DOB

W: 09.07.91

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE

19 June 1996

DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION

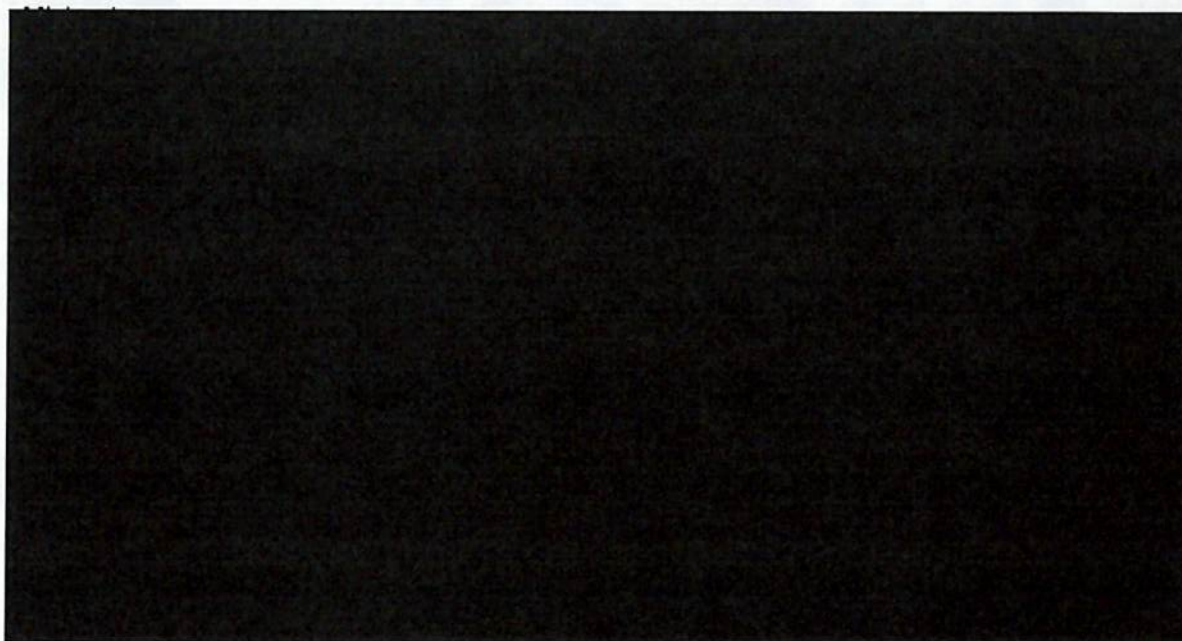
16 July 1996 (Form E Medical)

DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT

DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (FORM F8)

N/A

PEN PICTURE



██████████ and William Tarbett

William

William shares alot of ██████████ determination and stubbornness, which can persevere beyond our patience. William is generally a happier and straight-forward boy. William sometimes provokes ██████████, and at other times is quite innocent, but tries to fight back as best he can. Equally William will join in their kissing and cuddling, but also has complained to Mrs ██████████ about ██████████ initiating contact which William did not want.

William enjoys games and being outside, where he loves to become involved in "work" eg digging, "building". William sulks if told off, sometimes maintaining a bad mood, at others being able to be distracted to something else.

William takes a willing part in contact with his mother and father, but rarely asks when it is to happen. William is caught up in the "business of the day" rather than with looking forward or back.

William is fond of Mr & Mrs ██████████ and would choose to stay with them. I do not know whether or not he would have a preference for living with his family.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE

1 Tasks set at last Review

All tasks completed.

2 Events since last Review

Input from Ao14a.

3 Work since last Review

I have continued to visit Mrs ██████████ weekly, and the boys weekly, taking each out for individual work once every fortnight. Our individual times are mainly spent at Camperdown Park or Kirkton Resource Centre, both boys enjoy playing outside particularly, and look forward to our spending our time together in play activity. Neither ██████████ nor William will volunteer information about themselves and their feelings, but we are able to have brief conversations where they set me right about how they are. Any particular matters/issues are taken up with Mrs ██████████ where we together try to deal with/talk through the matter (often as the boys do their utmost to change the subject or distract us, with sulking being their final ploy).

The boys were presented to the Permanence Panel, who decided to recommend that they be placed for permanence, separately. As there is a shortage of permanence placements within this region, referral will be made to the Scottish Resource Network.

██████████ and William Tarbett

SUITABILITY OF PLACEMENT

██████████ and William are challenging boys to care for, as much because of their behaviour towards each other as well as their behaviour to their carers and carers own sons. Mr and Mrs ██████████ have persevered and continue to provide a strongly supportive placement to the boys, with as much warmth and humour as is allowed by the boys difficult behaviour.

SCHOOL

██████████ is unsettled at school presently, though we are not sure what is causing him to feel so. ██████████ is being managed through use of "the base" where he can work individually with a teacher. ██████████ teachers are committed to keeping him in class as much as he is able, and are thoughtful and sensitive to ██████████ mood changes in class. Mrs ██████████ has received reports from other pupils parents about ██████████ aggressiveness to their sons/daughters. William began at St Clements this term and has settled in, though is not showing much ability to concentrate in class or stay on task. William's changeableness has made him less popular with his peers.

HEALTH

██████████ and William were examined by Dr Gallagher, CMO, for their comprehensive Form E Medicals.

Dr Gallagher noted no health concerns about the boys general growth and development, but she did note concerns about the aggressive and sexual behaviours between them and also with regard to William about his co-operativeness, his concentration span and his fine motor skills (pencil control, buttons etc ...). Dr Gallagher asked that William be seen by Educational Psychology. Subsequently William was seen for his Primary One medical by Dr Hughes, who was equally concerned to hear about the behaviours between William and Michael. Dr Hughes was examining William not in ██████████ presence, and noted less concern regarding William's co-operativeness and concentration.

CONTACT WITH NATURAL PARENTS

██████████ and William have separate monthly contacts with their mother, Ms Robertson, and their father, Mr Tarbett. Their sister, ██████████ attends these meetings, which are supervised by Maureen Petrie.

By and large these meetings go as well as could be expected, with the children sometimes 'acting up'.

In his recent access Mr Tarbett has chosen to tell the children his views about their mother, against our advice. At the last access Mr Tarbett may have told ██████████ and William that they will be moving placement, ██████████ moving first because of his poorer behaviour. Mr Tarbett may also have told the boys that their mother does not care for them and has signed them away.

██████████ and William Tarbett

Ms Robertson has accepted this department's permanence plans for ██████████, William and ██████████ because she believes that these are in the children's best interests. Ms Robertson would be unhappy to see the children having to move-in-care if this is not a move into a permanence placement.

Mr Tarbett objects absolutely to this department's plans, and considers that we may not influence what he chooses to tell his children. Mr Tarbett would like the children to return to his care, and has said he will continue to argue against this department until he achieves this aim.

Margaret Leslie, Social Worker for ██████████ and myself, provide fortnightly written information to Mr Tarbett about the children, and also meet with him regularly. We meet regularly with Ms Robertson, and will write to her about any significant events between our meetings.

FUTURE PLANNING

With the approval of this department's Permanence Panel we are now seeking separate permanence placements for ██████████ and William. However, there is an acute shortage of such placements within this region, and therefore referral needs to be made outwith this region.

██████████ and William's placement with Mr & Mrs ██████████ is coming to the end of its agreed time, and it is likely that the boys will move on to further temporary foster placements, pending our successfully finding permanence ones.

This department will need to consider seriously how it can best support the boys, their carers and their family through the complexities that lie ahead.

Signed

Philip McGillem

Date

14.11.96

TAYSIDE REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

NAME TARBETT**CHANGES OF CIRCUMSTANCES/CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY:**

(From birth for children. Signify any important events with dates and reasons for any moves)

Change in statute, home address, social worker, GP, or any other agency should be recorded and underlined and also changed on front sheet.

Date	
05 01 96	Child Protection Investigation. Michael and William make allegations of physical abuse against Ann Ballard, not substantiated.
08 01 96	Michael to St Clements Primary School.
16 01 96	Child In Care Review. [REDACTED] and William.
31 01 96	Case transferred. [REDACTED] and William to Philip McGill, Permanence Team. [REDACTED] to Margaret Leslie, Permanence Team.
07.02.96	Mr Tarbett(father) convicted and fined in relation to his abusive behaviour towards Social Work Department staff.
11.03.96	Meeting at Polepark FCC deciding to end Poleparks involvement with [REDACTED] and William.
21.03.96	Linda Robertson (mother) completes placing request to enrol William at St Clements Primary.
26.05.96	Meeting with Linda Robertson, agreeing plans to reduce Ms Robertsons access to fortnightly and eventually to monthly, commensurate with permanence planning for [REDACTED] and William.
19.06.96	Child in Care Review ([REDACTED] and William).
16.07.96	Form E Medical by Dr Gallagher, CMO.
20.08.96	William begins at St Clements Primary School.
29.08.96	Permanence Panel for [REDACTED] William and [REDACTED]
04.11.96	Children's Panel (continued until 27.11.96).

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CIC REVIEW SUMMARY

DATE: 19.06.96

VENUE: Kirkton Child & Family Centre

NAME: WILLIAM TARBETT

DOB: 09.07.91

PLACEMENT ADDRESS Mr & Mrs [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Dundee

DATE OF PLACEMENT 01.12.95

PARTICIPANTS:

Mr M Terry, CARO (Chair)
Mrs J Gall, Resource Worker
Ms Robertson, Mother
Mr Tarbett, Father
Mr P McGill, Social Worker
Mrs A Partington, Senior Social Worker
Mrs Petrie, Social Work Assistant
Mrs [REDACTED], Foster Carer
Ms [REDACTED] Respite Carer for Michael
Ms E Donnelly, Class Teacher, St Clement's Primary School
Ms S Henderson, Support Teacher, St Clement's Primary School
Ms S Ross, Minutetaker

APOLOGIES:

Lilybank Child and Family Centre

REPORTS AVAILABLE TO THE MEETING:

AO16 Social Worker's Report
School Report

DATE OF RIC AND REASON:

22.09.94

Continuing concerns for the safety of the children. Behaviour problems of children at school, Family Centre and at home and Mr Tarbett's refusal to co-operate with the Social Work Department. Children's involvement in on-going acrimony between parents.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK/DATE OF HEARING: (any other legal processes contemplated or pending)

██████████ and William were placed on named supervision with Mr and Mrs ██████████ by a Children's Panel. There is a condition attached in relation to access: Mr Tarbett has supervised access once a month and Ms Robertson has supervised access once a fortnight. There are no other legal processes.

REASONS FOR AND DATES OF RIC/PREVIOUS PLACEMENTS:

21.01.94 - 07.02.94
22.09.94 - 31.11.95

Foster Parents, ██████████
c/o Mr and Mrs ██████████

PROGRESS SINCE LAST REVIEW HELD ON 16.01.96

1 Previous plan and outcomes of tasks set (and other developments since the last review)

Mr Terry noted from the last Review minute that William was to have his speech reviewed in February.

Ms Robertson clarified this matter explaining that William had a stutter at that time and this was the reason why his speech was to be reviewed. William however stopped stuttering and this was not required.

Polepark Involvement

Polepark have since completed their involvement.

Form E to be completed by the end of March 1996

Form E has been completed. Awaiting date for permanence medical

2 Placement (include Foster Parents - enhanced allowances, equipment, views, sports/leisure activities/interests)

Mrs ██████████ said that sometimes the placement is quite difficult, especially because of ██████████ behaviour. ██████████ is very aggressive towards Mrs ██████████ sons aged 10 and 12 years, he constantly picks on them and calls them names. Sometimes they cope with it but other times it is clearly difficult for them. Mrs ██████████ said that she gets regular support from Ms Gall and Mr McGill.

Mrs Gall said that regular respite is organised for Mr and Mrs ██████████ every 4/5 weeks. William and ██████████ go to separate respite placements. ██████████ has been ██████████ regular respite carer and he has a good rapport with her and her daughter. Plans are being made for William to have regular respite carers with a couple he has stayed with once before. Mr Terry suggested that additional respite be put in place for ██████████ over the lengthy summer holidays.

Mr McGill said that by and large both [REDACTED] and William behave very poorly in the foster placement. However they are both very likeable characters despite this. William tends to strut around like the "man of the house" demanding what he wants and lets people know if he does not get it. He can keep this up for a while which is obviously very waring for the foster carers. [REDACTED] is more prone to having huffs. If [REDACTED] gets angry he takes his temper out on whoever is there at the time. [REDACTED] knows how to press people's buttons and Mrs [REDACTED] sons do suffer tremendously. Mr McGill said that he had noticed that [REDACTED] has difficulty sustaining a good time which is very sad for him, as his life is more in turmoil than it needs to be.

Mr McGill said that in terms of the boys being affectionate, William finds it much easier to be cuddled or drawn into that side of family life. [REDACTED] prefers to keep his distance but over the time he has been with Mrs [REDACTED] he has been able to accept some affection. [REDACTED] will not allow anyone to become too fond of him for very long, he tends to start pushing them away.

Mrs Gall confirmed that the Foster Care Agreement has been updated. Mrs [REDACTED] said that she has all the material things she needs. Mrs [REDACTED] receives an enhanced allowance payment which was reviewed fairly recently.

3 Nursery/Education/Employment (Give information regarding Record of Needs where appropriate)

William attends Lilybank Child and Family Centre. William is doing well by and large and he is concentrating more on what he is supposed to be doing now. They have a group for children moving on to school this year who are doing school work and a lot of attention has to focused on William to get him motivated to do this. This is probably because William has been used to doing his own thing in the Family Centre.

In the Family Centre staff have found that William goes through periods of being quite aggressive, this does not follow any pattern and it is not linked to access or any particular event. For 2/3 days he can sometimes be quite aggressive and verbally quite nasty to the other children. This happens about every 2/3 weeks. The sexualised behaviour displayed by William in the past has been taken over more by verbal aggression.

William will start St Clement's Primary School after the summer holidays. Mrs [REDACTED] said that William was there last week for the afternoon and he was quite happy.

4 Health (Give date of annual medical due/screening, immunisations, development -on-going handicap etc)

William is due to have his pre-school booster and once he has got rid of his cold, this will be carried out. No concerns were raised about William's general health.

William is up-to-date with dental treatment.

William received a medical examination when he moved in care in December 1995 and therefore his annual medical will not be due until December 1996.

5 Access (Parents/siblings/extended family, arrangements, CC2f, supervision, venue)

Mr McGill said that [REDACTED] and William and their sister [REDACTED] have access with their mother once a fortnight for one hour and with their father once a month for one hour. All access visits are supervised by Mrs Petrie. When they have access with their mother, the children also see their younger brother [REDACTED].

Mrs Petrie said that when she began supervising access again, [REDACTED] was quite aggressive and angry towards her and she felt that this was due to him not liking a change of worker. [REDACTED] put up barriers with Mrs Petrie initially and the least little thing would lead him to go into a huff, as time has gone on however, there has been an improvement.

[REDACTED] is much more relaxed during access now. He likes quite a bit of his mother's attention and he and [REDACTED] would often compete for this. However since [REDACTED] returned home, this is no longer evident and [REDACTED] has more time with his mother. Ms Robertson is good at interacting with all the children and getting them involved in activities.

Mrs Petrie said that on the odd occasion during access William has had a tantrum and shown aggression but normally he is quite relaxed, he plays about the room and does his own thing. Ms Robertson said that William can behave like this when he has had a telling off.

Access with Mr Tarbett has improved although a lot of the time is spent separating all the goodies he brings for the children. [REDACTED] does not attend access with Mr Tarbett. [REDACTED] is quite demanding of his father's attention and chats away quite a bit with his father. William enjoys access too. Mr Tarbett's daughter [REDACTED] and her daughter [REDACTED] also attend this access and they get quite involved with access and [REDACTED] enjoys that, he likes to care for [REDACTED] and get involved with her. Other family members attend access and [REDACTED] is quite inquisitive and confused as to who they are in relation to him. Mr Terry suggested that work be done with [REDACTED] to help him put the various family members in context.

Mrs Petrie said that access with Ms Robertson and Mr Tarbett goes reasonably well. Mrs [REDACTED] said that the children show no reactions after access.

Ms Robertson said that she felt access goes quite well, there is the odd occasion when the children have their differences but on the whole they all get on quite well with each other. Ms Robertson said that she is happy with the way access is working.

Mr Tarbett said that access works fairly well. He did say however that [REDACTED] behaviour and the language he was using at the last access had shocked him.

Mr Tarbett receives written information about the boys fortnightly and regular meetings are arranged. Regular meetings are also kept with Ms Robertson.

LONG TERM AIM

The long term aim still remains for permanent alternative homes for the children. Ms Robertson agrees with this but Mr Tarbett is opposed to the plan and is pursuing this through his solicitor.

Parents' Views (and changes planned)

Ms Robertson and Mr Tarbett's comments are documented in the appropriate sections of this report.

GOAL/ACTION PLAN

<u>TASKS</u>	<u>RESPONSIBLE PERSON</u>	<u>TIMESCALE</u>
1 Social Worker will continue to visit weekly.	Mr P McGill	On-going
2 Resource Worker will visit fortnightly minimum.	Ms J Gall	On-going
3 Respite provision will continue to be available approximately monthly but look to increase this over the summer holidays for [REDACTED]	Ms Gall	On-going
4 Access remains unchanged: Ms Robertson has supervised access once a fortnight. Mr Tarbett has supervised access once a month.	Mr McGill Mrs Petrie	On-going
5 The target date for referring the boys to the Permanence Panel is August 1996.	Mr McGill	August 1996

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| 6 | A date is awaited for a permanence medical examination. | Mr McGill | In hand |
| 7 | Social Worker to continue to provide written information about the boys progress to Mr Tarbett at fortnightly intervals. | Mr McGill | On-going |
| 8 | Social Worker to continue to offer regular opportunities for Mr Tarbett to meet to discuss any matters arising. Ms Robertson will also continue to have regular meetings with Social Workers. | Mr McGill
Ms Leslie | On-going |

DISSENT NOTED: Mr Tarbett is opposed to the plan for permanency.

DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT REVIEW:

20.11.96 at 10 am

SIGNATURE

Mr McGill

DATE

25/6/96

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