

ELIZABETH GIBSON CAMPBELL EXTRACTS FROM DOCUMENTS HELD BY SCRA

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2022-11-29 CPO Social Work Resources Child Protection Initial Investigation Report Child Protection Form 1

Carer 1 name: Elizabeth Campbell
Address: 41 Thornhill Road, Hamilton, ML3 9PS

Elizabeth Campbell:
Ms Campbell has high blood pressure.

29 November 2022 Police Officers called to ask social workers to visit the home as during a visit for another matter they found the home to be in a state of disarray. Social work made a plan that [child] stayed with a friend for 3 nights to allow her mother to make improvements.

02 December 2022 an Initial Referral Discussion took place during which a decision was made to initiate and child protection investigation. The summary of concerns include:

- Poor home conditions
- Previous IRD for same concerns
- Mum placing responsibility of conditions on [child]...
- Mum failing to understand seriousness of concern and unable to provide alternative accommodation for [child] to be placed in foster care.

02 December 2022 Ms Campbell signed section 25 Children (Scotland) Act 1995 paperwork to allow for [child] to be accommodated by South Lanarkshire Council... On this date a home visit was carried out during which home conditions appeared to have deteriorated even further and Ms Campbell was unable to recognise the impact of this on [child].

08 December 2022 Supervised contact commenced within [child]'s school. Following this supervised took place on 15.12.2022, 21.12.2022, 28.12.2022, 5.1.2023, 10.1.2023, 16.1.2023, 19.1.2023, 26.1.2023 and 31.1.2023.

08 December 2022 I provided practical assistance to Ms Campbell in clearing the family home.

23 January 2023 I supported Ms Campbell to attend a support group at Newarthill...

Family history and current situation

Ms Elizabeth Campbell, mother

Ms Campbell advised she was initially raised by her parents however due to neglect and parental substance use she was accommodated in Quarries Residential from 2

years old. Ms Campbell has nine siblings, four brothers and five sisters. She advises all of them were accommodated except the two eldest who were more independent due to being older. Ms Campbell does not remember much of her childhood within residential as she “blocked this out”, she got upset at times when other children were going to foster homes or getting adoption and she remained there. Ms Campbell then moved to live with a foster family whom she lived with until she got her own home at the age of approximately eighteen. She shares her foster parents were a good support and she is close to them as well as [child]. She visits them every weekend and helps them as they are elderly now. Ms Campbell spoke about her school years and that there were no issues, except some bullying at high school. She then left school and looked after children at church and worked in the care sector followed by stewarding in Glasgow. Ms Campbell advised she has had a few long-term relationships, the latest being with her ex-partner and [child]’s father, [], whom she was in a relationship with for around eleven years on and off. She stated that [] was abusive to her at times and [child] witnessed some of these incidents which she can recall.

They lived in Glasgow and [child] was around eighteen months old when they moved to Hamilton. Ms Campbell and [] were not together at this point however he would often turn up at their address in Hamilton. [] had cancer and so the contact with [child] was increased. When [child] was six years old Ms Campbell and [child] found [] deceased within his accommodation in Glasgow. Both have had some bereavement support however would benefit from some additional input.

Previous Social Work Involvement

Ms Campbell states Social Work (Glasgow) were involved in their lives years ago ... The family became known to social work resources in South Lanarkshire in 2016 when the health visitor reported Ms Campbell had disclosed domestic abuse ... Ms Campbell also disclosed [child] was present and within the home when these incidents were ongoing. Women’s Aid support was provided, and no further action was taken at that time.

In September 2020 a referral to social work was made by the landlord due to poor home conditions. Further concerns were raised in relation to males that Ms Campbell associated with however there was no evidence to substantiate this. Due the nature of the home conditions [child] was accommodated ... before being returned to her mother’s care. ... Due to positive progress being made, the decision was made not place [child]’s name on the child protection register and intensive supports were provided by Fas (Intensive Family Support Service, SLC). In 2021 support ended and the family were closed to social work resources in South Lanarkshire.

Current Situation

Ms Campbell advised the last two years have been really difficult. They were isolated due to lockdowns (COVID-19) where they had limited contact with family and could not attend church or any clubs.

Ms Campbell and [child] have a really close relationship, ... Ms Campbell advised it can be hard implementing boundaries due to this.

Other agencies’ information

...There have been no concerns raised in school however staff noted that Ms Campbell always utilised the ‘clothing banks’ a lot...

Parents'/Carers' Views

Ms Elizabeth Campbell

Ms Campbell believes that the home conditions were not as bad as social work described. She advised that she would get it sorted and that [child] could remain in her care whilst this happened. Mrs Campbell advises that they do not require any support and that they do not need social work involvement. She believes that there are no issues, and that [child] is not impacted in any way.

Throughout the period of time where social workers have been involved Mrs Campbell has reflected slightly on the recent concerns. She spoke of her past and childhood trauma which results in her struggling with low mood at times but declined any referrals or support for this. Mrs Campbell advised they have her foster parents and a close family friend, [] whom they rely on for support.

Mrs Campbell felt that [child] should be returned home when improvements were made to the home however this took around two months as Mrs Campbell refused support with this (cleaning companies, uplift, support from social work etc). Discussions also took place about wider concerns such as Mrs Campbell's associates who are mostly males. ... Mrs Campbell advises there is nothing to be worried about, these people are her friends...

My World Triangle

...It appears Mrs Campbell has been the main support however issues have arisen which have fractured [child] and her mother's relationship...

Within the wider world Ms Campbell and [child] have been identified and described as vulnerable and visible within the community. Ms Campbell is known to attend church groups and it has been noted that she and [child] have regular contact with older males. Ms Campbell states these males are friends however concerns have been identified in relation to their role in [child] and her mother's lives. ... Due to issue related to being looked after a child Ms Campbell has few family members and reliable supports. Ms Campbell will approach agencies and the school for support.

The family home is two bedded flat in a block directly opposite from [child]'s school. The home has been found to be unsuitable for [child] to reside in for a second time in as many years highlighting Ms Campbell has been unable to maintain the home and tends to hoard items. Significant supports have been offered to assist Ms Campbell to tidy the home.

Resilience Matrix

Mrs Campbell is also vulnerable and appears to build relationships very quickly with strangers.

Mrs Campbell does not have insight into the impact these concerns have had on [child].

Parental mental health issues.

The issues that have led to a second child protection investigation being initiated reflect those issues dating from September 2020 when home conditions were found to be "inhabitable" resulting in Ms Campbell being charged with offences in relation to neglect and lack of care. In 2020 when [child] was just seven years of age home conditions deteriorated to a significant degree...Following an investigation being carried out Ms Campbell engaged well with Fas with support services coming to an end in May 2021.

A consistent theme stemming from both investigations is that of Ms Campbell's lack of insight and understanding around the issue of the home conditions and the impact these have upon [child]'s wellbeing. Whilst positive change occurred in late 2020 this has not been maintained with home conditions lapsing resulting in the home being unacceptable for [child] to reside in. ... Throughout the investigation Ms Campbell has struggled to address these matters and has been observed as avoiding the issues at home. In keeping with the previous child protection investigation issues of capacity to parent and capacity have also been identified. It is understood that Ms Campbell has experienced a number of adversities in her life, and these may account for way in which she can present and function. Ms Campbell is also noted to be vulnerable and has alluded to having experienced traumatic events during her early years.

In terms of parenting, observations and assessment of supervised contact highlight the relationship between [child] and her mother to be a fraught relationship ... with Ms Campbell often struggling to assert herself and demonstrate an ability to set and maintain boundaries for [child]. ...

Needs

...Parenting work requires to be undertaken with Mrs Campbell to discuss these matters in further detail...

Plan to mitigate risks

Parenting work to be undertaken with Mrs Campbell - Mrs Campbell to realise the impact these issues are having on [child].

Mrs Campbell to take steps to safeguard [child] from situations where she does not feel safe

2023-02-15 CPO Social Work Resources Child Protection - Initial Child Protection Conference Minute (Draft)

Carer details: Elizabeth Campbell

Name and age of alleged perpetrator(s), if known: Elizabeth Campbell

Summary of discussion

Current Situation

...It was identified from Police Scotland on 29 November 2022 that [child] and Elizabeth Campbell, mother, were living in poor living conditions. This was identified due to the unpleasant odour from the home when Police officers were attending another incident near to the address. Numerous flies were observed and other insect infestation. On entry, the home was cluttered with rubbish and looked as though multiple items had been hoarded, this included toys that [child] previously played with. The family appeared to be isolated, and this was not flagged up despite mother and daughter living like this for quite some time.

An incident previous to this had the same circumstances in which the house was deemed to be in a poor condition. ...

... It has been difficult to get Elizabeth Campbell motivated in tidying up the house.

Social Work

As well as being vulnerable, the family have also been isolated with no large network around them. Elizabeth Campbell was brought up in care and has personal difficulties in her mental health...

...These contacts have been made through various church groups attended by Elizabeth Campbell...

...Contact happens twice a week between mother and daughter. During these times, ... Elizabeth Campbell shares too much information.

April Frame (SW) had previously highlighted that Elizabeth Campbell wanted to share to [child]'s friends that she had a tidy house...

...In the past, Elizabeth Campbell has not been able to hold boundaries with [child].

...Elizabeth Campbell has also accepted that more work is to be done. April Frame spent considerable time discussing Elizabeth Campbell's mental health. House conditions have been like this for a long time, so it has been difficult to make a change. There are wider concerns now that this is the second time the home has been identified as being in a poor condition, the pandemic hit people hard and particularly Elizabeth Campbell.

Current Support and Moving Forward

It has been difficult to instigate and sustain change with Elizabeth Campbell. It had taken around eight weeks to clean the home it was in such a poor condition. There is a concern of Elizabeth Campbell's vulnerability, her capacity and how this is impacting [child].

Elizabeth Campbell could engage with a parent capacity assessment; she certainly has capability. There are lots of childhood issues that Social Work need to be mindful of that Elizabeth Campbell has blocked out.

There is a lack of experience of being a parent herself in her own home environment due to her own experience of living in a care environment as a child herself.

In terms of Elizabeth Campbell's own support, April Frame supported her in various groups. Contact has been made with Future Pathways, an agency providing Bereavement support.

Elizabeth Campbell has a lot of unresolved issues from her own life and with the passing of [child]'s father.

Currently, it is Elizabeth Campbell's network that is being questioned ...

Police Scotland

...The home conditions and issues recorded on the Police Concern report on 29 November 2022 resulted in the offence described by Anne Marie O'Halloran and Social Work being contacted. [child] and Elizabeth Campbell stayed at a family friend's house for the night.

Additionally, Elizabeth Campbell had a pending case for the same offence and this was moved onto a conviction in September 2022. Both offences are in relation to the Children and Young Persons Scotland Act 1937 Section 12.

There have been no Police Concern reports surrounding the family that have raised any concern since this time.

Education

Rebecca Turnball, Depute Head Teacher, sent her apologies and emailed Clair Fraser, Team Leader, the school update.

"...Prior to the Police Concern Report in November 2022, [child] and her mum had previously been supported by Social Work and the School Nurse following a similar Police Concern Report in 2020. ...We continue to be aware of mum's vulnerability within the community, she has often been known to look after other people's children

and has attended events, e.g. Uniform Drop-Ins, with other unknown adults she has befriended in the community, often taking away multiple bags of clothing.”

Team Leader’s Views

...Given that Elizabeth Campbell is in agreement that Child Protection registration is not a requirement and [child] is currently protected by her placement, a referral to the Children’s Reporter would be appropriate for more structure.

Elizabeth Campbell wants her daughter to come home. ... an assessment on if Elizabeth Campbell can meet [child]’s needs in the longer term should be completed.

Mother’s Views

Elizabeth Campbell is ready to undertake a parent capacity assessment. In terms of contact, she is keen for more of this and for it to restart again with [child]. Elizabeth has been in contact with her GP about additional support.

Elizabeth Campbell asked what would happen if she removed her voluntary agreement and if this would mean [child] being returned to her care. However, Michele Lunan-Kennedy, advised that the plan would still be the same. If Elizabeth Campbell revoked this, Social Work would contact the Children’s Reporter.

Summary

...The focus will be on the parent capacity assessment taking place which can take roughly three months....

Protective Factors

4. No significant Police information since October 2022 on Police concern report.

Risk Factors

1. Neglect and poor home conditions.
2. Change has not been sustained.
3. Mother and [child] have been isolated with no network of support.
4. Parental Mental Health.
10. Mother struggles with parents and boundaries.

Decisions/Child Protection Plan

Be mindful on Elizabeth Campbell’s mental health and on if she requires additional support such as Advocacy or Assessment for Adults and link in with this support. Future Pathways to link in with Anne Marie O’Halloran to feedback on progress made in relation to mental health. An immediate plan to support mental health that is long term. There needs to be confidence that Elizabeth Campbell will buy into this support. Safety discussions about parenting in what is appropriate and what is not with Elizabeth Campbell. There may be a need to explore specific support, this needs to be kept on the agenda to further support [child] and her mother with rehabilitation. Compassion needed in exploring how parenting [child] has affected Elizabeth Campbell. Be clear to Children’s Hearing that there is still work to be undertaken and if this is revoked, a referral will be made if Elizabeth Campbell changes her thoughts and views. Future meetings to be in person with Elizabeth Campbell to allow her to visually take part in the meeting.

2023-02-28 Form 47 CPO Application

Relevant Person Elizabeth Campbell – Mother 41 THORNHILL ROAD, HAMILTON, ML3 9PS

Family Composition

[child] ... would ordinarily reside with her mother, Elizabeth Campbell.

Summary of Social Work Involvement

On the 29th November 2022 the police attended at Ms Campbell's home in relation to a separate matter. On arrival the police were afforded entry to the home by Ms Campbell. Immediately, they observed an unpleasant odour. Numerous flies were observed as well as other insect infestations. On entering the hallway, the doorway to bedroom 1 was barricaded with various household rubbish and could not be entered. Bedroom 2 belonged to [child], then aged 9. This room had limited floor space for access and the room was cluttered with various items of rubbish. The room also contained a bunk bed which had rubbish stored on the lower level. The main bed on the upper level had a tiny amount of space and this was covered by a small tent with limited bedding. The rest of the mattress space was taken up by rubbish, such as old furniture, clothes toys and plastic items. Bedroom 3, being Ms Campbell's bedroom, could hardly be accessed. The door had to be forcibly pushed open to gain access to the room. The room contained a bed, and which had dirty bedding on it. The bed was surrounded by rubbish and a person would have to crawl over this to gain access to the bed. The hallway leads to the only bathroom in the home. The bathroom surfaces were covered in layers of scale and dirt. There were also numerous items of rubbish within. The toilet was full of what appeared to be pet litter (saw dust and rabbit droppings). This had rendered the toilet unusable, and it appeared to have been in this state of disrepair for some time. It is unclear as to what toilet facilities Ms Campbell and the child had been using as a result of this. The hallway was generally cluttered with various paraphernalia and household rubbish. The flooring throughout the property was extremely dirty. The living room was accessed at the end of the hallway. This room contained a large rabbit pen, hamster cage and bird cage. The floor space in this room was sufficient only for accessing the sofas, however the perimeter of the room was surrounded and stacked high with similar rubbish found within the rest of the house. The floor in this room was covered with dirt and straw from the pets and did not appear to have been cleaned for a substantial period. The kitchen was accessed via the living room. The tile flooring was covered in rubbish and the counter tops were stacked high with dirty dishes and other household items and clutter. The fridge contained fresh and frozen food; however, the surfaces of the appliance were covered in scale and dirt. It is unknown if the oven and microwave were in working order. The kitchen did not appear to be hygienically sound for food preparation and consumption.

Thereafter, Police Officers requested social work resources in South Lanarkshire Council to visit the home as they carried a visit and found home conditions to be unsuitable for the child to reside. Ms Campbell gave agreement for the child to reside with a family friend while she addressed the condition of the family home and further assessment could take place.

...The summary of concerns included:

Poor home conditions the house was found to be uninhabitable and had not improved since the child was removed...

- Ms Campbell has a previous conviction for neglect (Section 12 Children and Young Person's (Scotland) Act 1937) from the incident in 2020. This had been admonished by the court in September 2022.
- Ms Campbell was placing responsibility of the home conditions on the child...
- The mother failed to understand seriousness of concern and unable to make initial changes required. Ms Campbell continued to minimise the impact that this would have on the child.
- Police have charged Ms Campbell with a further Section 12 offence due to the poor home conditions.

On 2nd December 2022 Ms Campbell signed section 25 Children (Scotland) Act 1995 paperwork to allow for [child] to be accommodated by South Lanarkshire Council. On this date a home visit was carried out during which home conditions appeared to have deteriorated even further. Ms Campbell was unable to recognise the impact of this on the child and continues to minimise this.

... In summary, over the preceding three months the concerns which had led to the child being received into care had not been addressed. While Ms Campbell had made attempts to improve the home conditions, it was still not deemed to have sufficiently improved to allow the child to return. There was concern that Ms Campbell continued to be unable to prioritise meeting her daughters' basic needs by providing her with a safe and suitable home environment. Ms Campbell chose to go on multiple short breaks over this period and despite intensive supports from agencies, continued to avoid addressing the concerns surrounding her parenting capacity and ability to safely care for her daughter.

... Given that this was the second occasion that Ms Campbell has been charged with neglect, it was agreed that a full parenting capacity assessment would be undertaken to establish if Ms Campbell can meet the child's needs and to inform the longer-term care plans for her.

The Child Protection Investigation highlighted concerns around Ms Campbell's own vulnerabilities. It is understood that Ms Campbell has experienced a number of adversities in her life, and these may account for way in which she can present and function. Ms Campbell is also noted to be vulnerable and has alluded to having experienced traumatic events during her early years. Supports for Ms Campbell in her own right have been explored with her, but she is yet to access any of these.

...Ms Campbell often struggles to assert herself and demonstrate an ability to set and maintain boundaries for child...

...On the 28th of February 2023 Ms. Campbell intimated that she was withdrawing her consent to the child remaining within foster care.

Summary of Risk

The local authority is making this application as it believed that the child continued to be at significant risk of harm due to:

- Her mother's inability to consistently provide the child with a safe and secure home environment.
- Ongoing concerns around her insight into the needs of the child and ability to prioritise the same.
- Ongoing investigation into the care Ms. Campbell has provided the child.
- Ongoing criminal proceedings for neglect.

DIRECTIONS IN RELATION TO THE EXERCISE OR FULFILMENT OF PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES OR PARENTAL RIGHTS

In terms of section 42(1) the applicant seeks the following direction(s) –

(a) Any contact which takes place between the child and her mother should be supervised by the social work department.

(b) a contact direction under section 41.

Any contact which takes place between the child and her mother should be supervised by the social work department.

2023-02-28 FORM 49 Child Protection Order

Rule 3.31(2) Court Ref. HAM-B166-23 IN THE SHERIFF COURT at Hamilton on 28 February 2023

The sheriff orders that Elizabeth Campbell – Mother 41 THORNHILL ROAD, HAMILTON, ML3 9PS is required to produce the child to a specified person, Clair Fraser Team Leader South Lanarkshire Council Brandon Gate Hamilton, ML3 0XB.

The Sheriff directs that-

In terms of section 41 the sheriff gives the following directions to the applicant as to contact with the child and her mother should be supervised by the social work department.

2023-03-02 Email Correspondence chain with Social Work and SCRA

[Social workers Anne Marie O'Halloran and Clair Fraser, Reporter Lisa Fitzpatrick]

'Hi, Annie and Clair

Could you provide me, as soon as possible, with the dates of any home visits, undertaken after 2/12/2022 and describe the home conditions on these occasions and particularly, the home conditions around 28/02/2023 when it was assessed that [child] could not safely return home?

Also, what is the nature of the contact which the mother and her friends have been making with [child] which has given rise to concerns?

Thanks,
Lisa'

'Lisa,

[child]'s mum has some male friends who have contacted her via mobile we are concerned about this because of the vulnerability of the family and due mum's apparent dependence/reliance upon other in managing day-to-day with the home, [child] and in understanding the issues.'

[from Anne]

'Thanks, Annie

I'm really looking for information regarding visits carried out after 2/12/2022, particularly around 28/02/2023 ,and would be grateful if you could provide this. I have covered in my initial email the information which I'm looking for.

Were the friends contacting [child] or [child]'s mother and what was the nature of the contact?

Lisa'

'Lisa,

...

On 2/12/2022 SWs April Frame & Annie O'Halloran visited the home to meet with Liz and to reassess home conditions following [child] (& mum) going to stay with a family friend for the last 3 nights due to the home being uninhabitable. Liz allowed workers into the home and we had a look around. The home conditions had deteriorated since Tuesday (29-11-22), Liz advised she has been trying to tidy and advised her friend [] has taken some things out to the bin. We advised that we have to see significant improvement before [child] could return home. Liz became upset and was crying saying she cannot think of anyone else. She then said her friend [] ... She advised they stay there often and although he has a one bedroom, they take blow up beds, she said he would be happy to help, advising they go to church together in Govan. During discussions Liz advised she has no health conditions, no mental health issues or substance misuse, she has no other support or agencies involved. Liz advised she rents the flat from Igloo who were last in her home September/October time to complete gas checks.

I carried out visits on 28.2.2023 and 15.2.2023 some improvements made in terms of home conditions however parent really unaware of the issues impacting upon [child] and struggling appearing struggling to manage. Smell within the home, items accumulating around the house and male named [] within house supporting mum to tidy up.'

[from Anne]

'Hi, Annie

I'm looking for the information to help me draft grounds, so could you describe the conditions

(a) On 15/02/2023

(b) On 28/02/2023 ?

I need to know if conditions were sufficiently concerning to detail in the grounds...

Thanks,

Lisa'

'Lisa,

On 15.1.2023 the home had seen some improvement but was messy and the issue was more mum was completely minimising the concerns and stated she did not know why [child] was removed. I would describe the home as having an unpleasant odour and was unkempt.

On 28.2.2023 same as above

...family appear vulnerable, ... Mum appears reliant upon others to support her'

[from Anne]

2023-03-02 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended.

Purpose(s) of Hearing to review a child protection order s.45/46

The panels decision was to continue the CPO as the current risks and situation of mum is unchanged from two days ago when the sheriff put the order in place. ... Mums solicitor requested the CPO be terminated due to progress made by mum, however the panels decision was reflective of what the sheriffs decision was based on two days ago. A return home for [child] would need an intensive support plan and care package to provide both mum and [child] with a secure safe place to live.

2023-03-06 Email Correspondence between Social Work and SCRA

'Hi , Annie and Clair

Are you able to give me some details of the home conditions in 2020 which led to [child] being accommodated and resulted in a conviction for her mother?...

Thanks,

Lisa'

'Lisa,

18.09.2020 Referral from Countrywide Residential ... As a managing agent we must carry out a gas safety inspection each year. I had contacted [] in April 2020 to arrange the gas safety to take place before the expiry date on June 2020. Due to no contact and 7 unsuccessful visits we only managed to gain access on 14 September 2020 however found there was no money in the gas meter. We then reattended on the 15th September 2020 and managed to successfully carry out the check. My engineer phoned me from site concerned about the condition of the property. the property is filled head to toe with items, rubbish and flies in the property. there is also a very strong stench throughout. My engineer could not open the bedroom doors due to the number of items piled up behind doors. With this in mind, I am concerned for the young girl in the property as to where she sleeps, hygiene concerns and also if she is being fed and watered properly. I have attached pictures to this email to give insight of what was found on 15th September 2020.

I have contacted Elizabeth Campbell requesting she tidies and cleans the property as this is a breach of her tenancy agreement. I have also made the landlord of the property aware and will be booking further visits to inspect.

20.09.2020 Nicola Neary (Team Leader) contacted Elizabeth to reiterate importance of allowing workers into her home to fully assess conditions and wellbeing of [child]. Elizabeth reluctantly agreed for workers to visit at 3:15 today. I attended the home with social worker Julie Meikle. Elizabeth answered the door to workers and workers

noticed a large amount of fruit flies around the hall area. There were toys, food debris and rubbish strewn along the hall floor. A pram was at the end of the hall and had clothes, teddys and toys piled on top with opened medication on the pram and floor (blood pressure tablets and 500mg paracetamol - full packet). The spare bedroom could not be accessed as bikes and rubbish were piled high to the door frame stopping anyone entering the room. I took photographs on my work mobile and could see the room was filled with rubbish high to the windowsill and above. [child]'s room was the worst in the house, I could not enter this room so Julie did by pushing the door back. The floor was an inch deep with broken toys, teddys, rubbish and empty food cartons. [child]'s bed could not be seen as it was piled high with teddys and toys. Large spider webs were along the walls and ceiling and that window sill with thick with black dust. When we attempted to get by the end of the hall things were falling down on top of us and Elizabeth refused to allow workers to see her bedroom. The bathroom was cluttered with empty shampoo boxes etc and the bath was filled with a scooter and other toys and empty bottles. The sink, toilet and bath was thick with black coloured grime. The door to the living room had to be forced open and there was no clear floor space. The kitchen floor was thick with dirt and spilled juice and food. The worktops could not be seen. Dirty dishes were piled high and the fridge was full of opened food and cans piled high on top of the fridge. Clothes were piled high to the ceiling and there were hundreds of flies in the kitchen and living room. Dead flies were stuck to the dishes within the kitchen. The living room floor could not be seen as there were piles of clothes, toys and food debris. The living room couch could not be seen and dead flies were stuck to artificial flowers and food packages.

Elizabeth lacked insight into the severity of the situation and advised she "didn't mind the flies" but that [child] doesn't like them. Elizabeth said the flies are there as the left the windows open. She advised she doesn't need support from anyone or social work and could clean up in a couple of hours. Elizabeth advised she had been out at her mum's on Friday and with her friend [] on Sunday. I stressed that social work had been attempting visits since Friday and Elizabeth said she was aware. I then asked why she had not made attempts to clear up and she advised she had. I advised that this was not acceptable for [child] to stay in and Elizabeth continued to advised "she would sort it". ..., Elizabeth advised she told [child] that she was removed by social workers when she was young and placed in foster care since she was 9 and this is why [child] was behaving this way with workers. ... allowing workers to further speak with Elizabeth....

Thanks

Annie'

2023-03-06 Statement of Grounds – (Accepted as established 27.10.2023)

Section 67 Ground

The children's reporter has arranged a children's hearing for [child] (26/01/2013) because the reporter believes the following ground(s) apply:

that in terms of section 67(2)(a) of the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011, she is likely to suffer unnecessarily or her health or development is likely to be seriously impaired, due to a lack of parental care.

and

that in terms of Section 67(2)(b) of the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011, a schedule 1 offence has been committed in respect of her

Supporting Facts

1. [child] ... until 29th November 2022, she normally resided with her mother, Ms Elizabeth Campbell (date of birth: 11th March, 1972);...
2. At all material times, Ms Campbell has had parental responsibilities in relation to [child], or charge or care of her .
3. Ms Campbell has been unable to ensure that conditions within the family home have been safe and satisfactory for [child], and the family home has, in the past, been found to be in a dirty, unhygienic and hazardous condition on a number of occasions and, for example,
 - (a) on 15th September 2020, the family home was so cluttered with rubbish and various items that some of the rooms were inaccessible and there was a very strong and unpleasant odour .
 - (b) on 21st September 2020, Ms Campbell wilfully neglected and exposed [child] in a manner likely to cause her unnecessary suffering or injury to health and did (i) allow the family home to become dirty and strewn with a large volume of rotting domestic waste, dirty clothing, dirty dishes, household items and debris, whereby there was an infestation of flies in the family home and there were few clear areas of floor; (ii) did fail to observe appropriate hygiene in respect that in the bathroom , the toilet was dirty with excrement, the bath contained toys and household items and the floor was littered with numerous household items; (iii) did leave medication lying on the floor within reach of [child] and did thus expose [child] to the risk of injury, infection and illness.
4. On 29th November 2022, the conditions within the family home were unsatisfactory and alternative care arrangements had to be made for [child].
5. Between 29th November 2022 and 28th February 2023, conditions within the family home had not improved sufficiently to allow for [child] to return home.
- 6 . Supporting Facts 3, 3(a) and 3(b) indicate that [child] has been wilfully neglected and exposed in a manner likely to cause her unnecessary suffering or injury to health contrary to s.12 of the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937, this being an offence mentioned in schedule 1(2) to the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 and support the ground for referral in terms of section 67(2)(b) .
7. Supporting Facts 4 and 5 support the ground for referral in terms of section 67(2)(a) only.

2023-03-10 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended.

Purpose(s) of Hearing to consider the statement of grounds (following a child protection order) s.69(2) & s.54

The grounds were considered serious enough to merit referral to the Sheriff for proof. Elizabeth (mum) did not accept the majority of the grounds.

The panel had significant concerns over the ability of mum to provide the necessary care for [child] and the seriousness of the grounds also gave the panel concerns on [child]'s welfare should she return to the family home at this stage. Any measures would not be accepted on a voluntary basis, and therefore the panel decided an Interim Compulsory Supervision Order was both necessary and urgent.

Both [child] and her mother were keen to continue with contact and it was recognised by the panel that this was important to maintain the family bond. Supervision is to take place a minimum of once per week and should be supervised by social work to enable a parenting assessment to take place.

2023-03-14 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B217-23 Form 33 Form of warrant to cite child and to give notice/intimate to relevant person(s), curator ad litem and safeguarder in applications under section 93(2)(a) or 94(2)(a) of the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

2. Elizabeth Campbell, c/o The Principal Reporter, SCRA, Ochil House, Springkerse Business Park, Stirling, FK7 7XE – relevant Person

2023-03-21 School Chronology

'[child]'s mum also contacted the school to ask if she could attend Friday's assembly in school ...Office contacted mum to advise that she could come.'

2023-03-24 School Report

... [child] and mum have always had an intense relationship ... mum would approach school for support. ...

When [child] was removed from mum's care in 2020, we had no idea of the difficulties the family were facing. We have always offered support to the family in terms of PEF funding. Likewise, more recently in November 2022, we had no cause to be concerned with [child]'s living conditions.

2023-03-29 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended.

Purpose(s) of Hearing to consider whether to make a further interim compulsory supervision order s.96

To make a further interim compulsory supervision order during the proof application. South Lanarkshire is the implementation authority and the order has effect until and including 19/04/2023.

Contact between the child and the mother, Elizabeth Campbell, is to take place a minimum of once per week, supervised by the social work department.

2023-04-05 Social Work Report

What happened for this report to be asked for?

Following Ms Campbell withdrawing her consent under S.25 an application for a CPO was made. Application was heard by Sherriff Gallagher at Hamilton Sherriff Court... all contact with her Mother to be supervised by the Social Work department...

Family History

Ms Campbell was born and raised initially in Greenock, Inverclyde, by her mother and father [] and []. Ms Campbell is the fourth sibling of ten and she advised that her parents had a chaotic lifestyle meaning her early childhood experiences were categorised by substance misuse and neglect. As a result, Ms Campbell and her siblings were removed from [] care when Ms Campbell was two years old. Ms Campbell recalls being separated from her siblings and placed in Quarriers Children's House (Bridge of Weir) with her older sibling [].

Ms Campbell can recall being subject to a Permanence Order and she was moved to reside in foster care with her sister being placed with her foster parents, []. Ms Campbell remained a looked after child in care until she was eighteen years old and moved out of the placement to live on her own in the area of Glasgow.

Ms Campbell described a positive experience of Primary School and High School and at aged sixteen she went on to study Child Care at College to which she graduated and became employed with the local church supporting community youth groups. Ms Campbell then went on to be a personal carer for 20 years prior to the birth of [child]. At the age of thirty-six, Ms Campbell met [child]'s father, [] and the couple met through mutual friends. Ms Campbell advised that the relationship with [] was categorised by domestic abuse which was both physical and emotional. Ms Campbell advised she and [] had been in a relationship for over four years prior to the arrival of [child]. Ms Campbell admitted that [child] had witnessed parental domestic abuse throughout her childhood. Ms Campbell effectively ended the relationship in 2014 with support from the previous Health Visitor and Women's Aid.

Ms Campbell allowed continued contact between [child] and her father; however, she supported this contact and was present throughout. ... Ms Campbell did not experience any domestic abuse until an incident which took place on 2016 and Hamilton Social Work office provided advice and guidance at this point. ... Ms Campbell and [child] found [] body and they contacted Emergency Services as a result. Ms Campbell received support from "Heaven" ... In September 2020 a referral to social work was made by the landlord due to poor home conditions. Further concerns were raised in relation to males that Ms Campbell associated with however there was no evidence to substantiate this. Due the nature of the home conditions ... Home conditions were found to be "inhabitable" resulting in Ms Campbell being charged with offences in relation to neglect and lack of care. Due to positive progress being made, the decision was made not place [child]'s name on the child protection register and intensive supports were provided by FAS (Intensive Family Support Service, SLC). In 2021 support ended and the family were closed to social work resources in South Lanarkshire.

What Should Happen Next for [child]

...Non disclosure of address due to Ms Campbell presenting as being unpredictable, given she has previously revoked the section 25 paperwork with very little improvement to her circumstances...

2023-04-19 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended

Purpose(s) of Hearing to consider whether to make a further interim compulsory supervision order s.96

To make a further interim compulsory supervision order during the proof application. South Lanarkshire is the implementation authority and the order has effect until and including 10/05/2023 – Awaiting Grounds to be established.

Contact between the child and the Mother, Elizabeth Campbell, is to take place a minimum of once per week, supervised by the social work department.

2023-04-20 Extract of Conviction

Date of conviction 2021/10/05

Date of sentence 2022/09/02

(001} on 21st September 2020 at 41 Thornhill Road, Hamilton you being a person having attained the age of 16 years and who has parental responsibilities in relation to a child or young person under that age or has charge or care of a child or such a young person namely [child], born [DOB], you ELIZABETH CAMPBELL did wilfully neglect and expose said child in a manner likely to cause her unnecessary suffering or injury to health and did (a) allow your home to become dirty and strewn with a large volume of rotting domestic waste, dirty clothing, dirty dishes, household items and debris, whereby there was an infestation of flies in said dwelling house and there were few clear areas of floor, (b) fail to observe appropriate hygiene in respect that in the bathroom the toilet was dirty with excrement, the bath contained toys and household items and the floor was littered with numerous household items; (c) leave medication lying on the floor within reach of said child; and you did thus expose said child to the risk of injury, infection and illness; CONTRARY to the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937, Section 12(1) as amended

Disposal detail: Admonished and Dismissed

2023-04-26 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B368-23 Form 65C Application to extend or extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to...

2. Elizabeth Campbell 41 Thornhill Road , HAMILTON, ML3 9PS (mother)

2023-05-02 Email from Elizabeth's solicitor

'Our Client: Elizabeth Campbell

Court Ref: HAM-B368-23

ICSO Hearing: 5th May, 2023 @ 10 a.m. (Webex)

We refer to the above and advise that we act on behalf of the mother, Elizabeth Campbell. The Reporter's ICSO application is unopposed by our client. On the basis that this is unopposed there will be no appearance for the mother at tomorrow's hearing...'

2023-05-16 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B438-23 Form 65C Application to extend or extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

2. Elizabeth Campbell 41 Thornhill Road , HAMILTON, ML3 9PS (mother)
3. Lorna McCann, 468 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, G11 6SL (mothers solicitor)

2023-06-05 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B511-23 Form 65C Application to extend or extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

2. Elizabeth Campbell, 41 Thornhill Road, Hamilton, ML3 9PS - relevant person
3. Lorna McCann, McIntosh & McCann, Solicitors, 486 Dumbarton Road, Galsgow, G11 6SL- Solicitor for the child's mother.

2023-06-28 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B545-23 Form 65C Application to extend or extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

2. Elizabeth Campbell 41 Thornhill Road , HAMILTON, ML3 9PS (mother)
3. Lorna McCann, 468 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, G11 6SL (mothers solicitor)

2023-07-12 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B609-23 Form 65C Application to extend or extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

2. Elizabeth Campbell 41 Thornhill Road , HAMILTON, ML3 9PS (mother)
3. Lorna McCann, 468 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, G11 6SL (mothers solicitor)

2023-08-03 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B659-23 Form 65C Application to extend or extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

- 2. Elizabeth Campbell 41 Thornhill Road , HAMILTON, ML3 9PS (mother)
- 3. Lorna McCann, 468 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, G11 6SL (mothers solicitor)

2023-08-04 Adjourned Interlocutor - B217-23

McCann for Mother

The Sheriff, on the motion of the agent for the mother, unopposed, continues the cause to the previously assigned evidential hearing on 1 September 2023 at 10:00am within the Sheriff Court at Hamilton, Sheriff Court House, Civil Dept, Birnie House, Caird Park, Hamilton, ML3 0AL.

2023-08-29 Warrant of Citation

HAM_B721-23 Form 65C Application to extend or extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. Appoints the Applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to...

- b. Elizabeth Campbell, 41 Thornhill Road, Hamilton, ML3 9PS - mother
- c. Lorna McCann, McIntosh & McCann solicitors, 486 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, G11 6SL

2023-09-01 Interlocutor - adjourned - HAM-B217-23

Alt: McCann, for the mother of the child; appearing via Webex;

The mother of the said child appeared personally within the Courthouse;

The Sheriff, on the motion of the mother of the child; there being no objection thereto, Discharges today's Evidential Hearing, due to the mother of the child having a medical appointment to attend this morning; of new Assigns 27 October 2023 at 10:00am as an Evidential Hearing within the Sheriff Court at Hamilton, Sheriff Court House, Civil Dept, Birnie House, Caird Park, Hamilton, ML3 0AL; said hearing being with all parties being present in the Court; and Assigns 29 September 2023 as a further pre-proof hearing ; Directs that said hearing will proceed by way of video conference call - Webex.

2023-09-19 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B752-23 Form 65D Application to further extend or further extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. appoints the applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

2. Elizabeth Campbell 41 Thornhill Road , Hamilton, ML3 9PS (mother)

3. Lorna McCann, McIntosh and McCann, 468 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, G11 6SL (mother's solicitor)

2023-10-09 Warrant of Citation

HAM-B800-23 Form 65D Application to further extend or further extend and vary an interim compulsory supervision order under the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

2. appoints the applicant forthwith to serve a copy of the application and this warrant to-...

2. Elizabeth Campbell 41 Thornhill Road , Hamilton, ML3 9PS (mother)

3. Lorna McCann, McIntosh and McCann, 468 Dumbarton Road, Glasgow, G11 6SL (mother's solicitor)

2023-11-07 Social Work Report

Current Situation

..An issue that has been identified is that of Ms Campbell undermining work between [child] and her foster carer. This includes Ms Campbell providing [child] with IT equipment and also downloading an app on [child]'s mobile phone without advising foster carer or social worker of this...

Family time

At present [child] sees her mum twice a week for an hour, this is supervised by social work. Family time normally takes place within Burnbank Family centre, and during School holidays ... Over the summer period, family time took place at Chatelherault country park.

... Ms Campbell attends all planned contacts/family time with [child]. Ms Campbell is always on time and will communicate appropriately with social work staff regarding any arrangements for contact with [child]...

Social work assessments

In the period following [child] being placed out with Ms Campbell's care social work resources in South Lanarkshire identified the need to carry out a parenting capacity assessment with Ms Campbell. This assessment commenced in April 2023 and concluded in June 2023. A midpoint meeting carried out in April 2023 identified the need to provide Ms Campbell with additional time to engage in the assessment as she had recently experienced a bereavement. Throughout the assessment Ms Campbell attended all sessions however was unable or unwilling to discuss matters relating to the pattern of neglect experienced by [child] and how these might relate to her development. Despite attempts to support Ms Campbell to discuss and explore these issues she simply refused to engage in this issue. As such social work resources have been unable to fully assess Ms Campbell's capacity to understand [child]'s lived experiences of her care and her capacity to make changes in her parenting...

[child]'s views and those of parent/carers

...Elizabeth Campbell

Ms Campbell is requesting [child] is returned to her care. Further to this she advised she will attend and engage with any further assessment required by social work...

Matrix

Vulnerability

- Ms Campbell did not meaningfully engage with recent assessment
- Ms Campbell can appear dismissive of risk
- Ms Campbell's actions have undermined safe caring arrangements within her foster placement
- Mrs Campbell's relationship with [child] can appear strained
- Mrs Campbell is also vulnerable and appears to build relationships very quickly with strangers
- Mrs Campbell does not have insight into the impact these concerns have had on [child]

Our observations and assessment of family time has highlighted a number of issues with Ms Campbell's contact with [child] that bear consideration. A overriding issue relates to the nature of the relationship Ms Campbell has with [child]. The boundaries within their relationship appears blurred and does not reflect that of a parent child relationship. Ms Campbell, whilst attentive to and supportive of [child], struggles to set boundaries and often allows [child] to dictate the terms of their time together. ... We have provided support and direction to Ms Campbell to address this issues however Ms Campbell has reverted back to bringing gifts, promising gifts and indulging [child] with sweets and treats. On occasions when Ms Campbell did adhere to our advice her interaction with [child] and the overall quality of the contact was far better.

2023-11-15 Elizabeth's Views for Hearing via Solicitor to SCRA

Our Client: Elizabeth Campbell

Children's Hearing: Hannah Aitken - 15th November, 2023 @ 12 noon - Hamilton

We refer to the above and advise we continue to represent Elizabeth Campbell.

We have had sight of the initial hearing bundle and received the up-to-date Social Work Report on the 8th of November, 2023.

Our Miss McCann has had the opportunity to discuss briefly with Ms Campbell, the terms of the Social Work Report dated 7th November, 2023 and a number of issues arise in relation to the Parenting Assessment together with the level of contact that is currently being exercised between our client and the child. Unfortunately, due to a prior court commitment, our Miss McCann is engaged at a Proof Hearing at Hamilton Sheriff Court on the 15th of November, 2023 therefore we would be grateful if the Children's Hearing could defer making a substantive decision to enable Ms Campbell to be represented and for submissions to be made by her solicitor at any deferred hearing.

Our client appreciates that if the hearing is to be deferred, it is unlikely there will be any change to Hannah's Interim Compulsory Supervision Order and the current measures are likely to remain without variation.

We would be extremely grateful if a copy of this email could be provided to the Panel Members in advance of the hearing at 12 noon.

2023-11-15 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended.

Purpose(s) of Hearing to consider whether to make a compulsory supervision order in relation to grounds established 27th October 2023 s.119

Mum's legal rep was unable to attend today's hearing and requested that the hearing was deferred to allow her to fully discuss the parenting assessment and contact with her client. The panel decided that in fairness to Mum, the hearing should be deferred.

Contact between the child and the Mother, Elizabeth Campbell, is to take place minimum of once per week, supervised by the social work department.

2023-12-06 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended

Purpose(s) of Hearing to consider whether to make a compulsory supervision order following deferral by the hearing on 15/11/2023 in relation to the grounds established on 27th October 2023 s.119 to consider whether to make a further interim compulsory supervision order s.96

To make a compulsory supervision order. South Lanarkshire is the implementation authority and the order has effect until and including 05/12/2024.

To require a review of the compulsory supervision order dated 06/12/2023 by 06/03/2024 - The panel felt an early review would be beneficial to allow an up-to date parenting capacity assessment to take place. It also is a fair amount of time to allow social work to review the contact is beneficial not gift related.

Contact between the child and the Mother, Elizabeth Campbell is to be a minimum of twice a week for a minimum of one hour, supervised by the social work department. There has been some issues around gifts and snacks at contact.

2024-03-06 Email from solicitor to SCRA

Hearing - 6th March 2024 at 10am

Our Client: Elizabeth Campbell

We refer to the above and advise we are instructed by Ms Campbell. We understand our client will be in attendance at today's Children's Hearing. We are instructed by our client to seek a deferral of the hearing. Our client has not had the opportunity to meet with me to discuss the terms of the report as she was only in a position to attend at my office late yesterday afternoon to complete an application for Legal Aid funding. This has not yet been granted therefore I had not had the opportunity to meet and provide advice to Miss Campbell regarding the recommendation by the Local Authority.

From a brief glance at the papers I note there is a parenting assessment outstanding and I am told by Miss Campbell that both her daughter and the child's foster career will also not be in attendance due to a trip.

I would be grateful if a copy of this email could be provided to the Chair and other hearing members.

2024-03-06 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell did not attend

Purpose(s) of Hearing to review the compulsory supervision order dated 06/12/2023 because a previous children's hearing directed it to be reviewed s.125

The panel heard that Elizabeth Campbell (mum) has not had time to meet with her legal rep who also was not present today. So could not make an informed decision.

2024-05-01 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended

Purpose(s) of Hearing to review the compulsory supervision order dated 06/12/2023 following deferral by a children's hearing on 06/03/2024 s.138

... Mrs Campbell has taken ownership of the issues and is now in a better place but also still requires support...

Contact between the child and mother Elizabeth Campbell is to be a minimum of twice a week for a minimum of one hour, supervised to the satisfaction of the Social Work Department.

2024-05-21 HAM-B376-24 – Appeal

HAM-B376-24 Elizabeth Campbell v Scottish Childrens Reporters Administration
Form 61 Appeal to sheriff under section 154(1) of the Children's Hearings
(Scotland) Act 2011 Rule 3.53(1B) Court Ref. HAM-B376-24
Hamilton Sheriff Court on 21 May 2024
(c)the appellant Elizabeth Campbell, represented by McIntosh Mccann solicitors

2024-05-22 Inventory of Productions

SHERIFFDOM OF STRATHCLYDE, DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY AT HAMILTON
INVENTORY OF PRODUCTIONS
By ELIZABETH CAMPBELL, residing at 41 Thornhill Road, Hillhouse, Hamilton, ML3
9PS APPELANT
Against
The decision of the Children's Hearing for South Lanarkshire Council held on the 1st
May 2024, in respect of the child, [child]

1. Record of Proceedings of the Children's Hearing on 1st May 2024
2. Compulsory Supervision Order

2024-05-22 Referral Appeal - Summary

The basis of the appeal concerned contact between Elizabeth and her daughter. This was to be a minimum of twice per week for a minimum of one hour, supervised by the Social Work Dept according to the Compulsory Supervision Order (CSO).

This was challenged because it was argued that the Hearing did not have sufficient information to make such an Order, as there was contention surrounding a Parenting Capacity Assessment. A request had been made to defer the Hearing.

The written reasons of the Children's Hearing were argued to not have accurately reflected a request to defer and a request to increase the Appellant's contact with her child.

The court was moved to uphold the appeal and remit the case to a Hearing for reconsideration.

2024-08-05 Social Work Review Report

Current Situation

Family time

[child] has regular contact with Ms Elizabeth Campbell twice a week supervised by social work. While Ms Elizabeth Campbell attends all contact with her daughter there are number of concerns that impact [child] and on her foster placement. A feature of Ms Elibeth Campbell's relationship and parenting of [child] highlights she is unable to demonstrate an understanding of [child]'s needs and her need to be parented. A longstanding concern is that of Ms Elizabeth Campbell continually buying, indulging and gifting [child] goods. This has been a constant feature of all supervised contacts with [child] being provided with excessive amounts of gifts, as such most of [child]'s focus is upon material goods. This includes purchasing a phone, laptop, toiletries, cosmetics and clothing. Despite contact being supervised Ms Elizabeth Campbell, advice and information being provided Ms Elizabeth Campbell continues to focus upon giving [child] items...

[child]'s views and those of parent/carers

Ms Elizabeth Campbell would have liked [child] to remain living with [] Ms Elizabeth Campbell will provide her views to the panel...

How does this information affect [child]?

...While Ms Elizabeth Campbell pled guilty to these charges she continues to minimise the risk posed to [child] and is unable to understand the ways in which neglect has impacted upon [child]'s development. We have continued to work with Ms Elizabeth Campbell on the issue of parenting [child], impressing upon her [child]'s needs and past experiences however she continues to focus solely on placating [child] with gifts, money and items. Support has been provided to support her in respect of these issues however she remains resistant. Despite attempts to set clear boundaries in place for Ms Elizabeth Campbell she continues to talk about money, gifts and engage [child] in discussions about material goods...

2024-08-29 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended.

Purpose(s) of Hearing to review the compulsory supervision order dated 01/05/2024 because the implementation authority has requested it s.131

[child] and her mum are in support of the change in residence to new foster carers.

Contact between the child and her mother, Elizabeth Campbell, is to take place a minimum of once per week for a minimum of one hour, supervised to the satisfaction of the Social Work Department...Mum was in agreement with this too.

2025-03-06 Review Request from solicitor

Our Client: Elizabeth Campbell (mother)

...We have been instructed by our client to seek a review of [child]'s Compulsory Supervision Order. Please treat this letter as a formal request to review the child's CSO.

Our client is seeking the child to be rehabilitated back to her care, failing which, an increase in the level of contact with a view to the Children's Hearing being addressed in relation to a Parenting Capacity Assessment...

2025-04-14 Social Work Review Report

(This contained no new information regarding Elizabeth Campbell)

2025-04-14 Social Work Chronology

26.06.2016 Social Work Resources (SWR) received a notification of concern from Alison Bates, Health Visitor. Ms Bates advised that Ms Campbell had disclosed physical abuse to her during a home visit and stated that the Child was present during this incident...There had been previous domestic incidents recorded, where Ms Campbell and the Child had fled from their family home in Glasgow, due to domestic abuse with the support from Women's Aid. Ms Bates had some concerns that [] was in and out of the home regularly and there were also concerns about his aggressive and violent behaviours, with the Child potentially being exposed to this. Ms Campbell was referred to Burnbank Family centre and has accessed community groups in the local area for support.

18.09.2020 Social Work Resources in South Lanarkshire received a notification of concern from Countrywide Residential Lettings, detailing that a gas safety inspection was due at Ms Campbell's property in June 2020 and Countrywide had been attempting to arrange the check since April 2020 with no avail. ... On the 15th of September 2020, a further visit was arranged to allow checks to be undertaken. The engineer on site contacted his manager to report concerns regarding the home conditions; the home was filled throughout with rubbish and flies were observed within. The engineer was unable to enter most of the bedrooms due to the piles of rubbish behind the doors. It was noted within the referral that there was a concern for the Child living within the property as a result. The engineer was instructed to take photographs of the property by Countrywide, and these were provided to the Social Work Department, in conjunction with the Notification of Concern.

21.09.2020 Social work resources provided Ms Campbell and [child] with hotel due to home conditions (mess, flies, toys, food debris and rubbish strewn along the hall floor. A pram was at the end of the hall and had clothes, teddys and toys piled on top with opened medication on the pram and floor (blood pressure tablets and 500mg paracetamol - full packet). The spare bedroom could not be accessed as bikes and rubbish were piled high to the door frame stopping anyone entering the room.

22.09.2020 Ms Campbell was charged with Section 12 Children's (Scotland) Act, as it was reported by a letting agency on the 18th of September 2020, that Ms Campbell had been unable to ensure that conditions within the family home were safe and satisfactory for the Child and the family home has, in the past, been found to be in an unhygienic and hazardous condition, on several occasions. Arrangements were made via Social Work for Ms Campbell and the Child to stay at the Holiday Inn Express Hamilton for a period of time, until suitable arrangements were made. Ms Campbell signed Section 25 Children (Scotland) 1995 paperwork for the Child to be placed in temporary foster care until the house could be cleaned and tidied to a satisfactory living standard.

24.09.2020 ... The investigation highlighted Ms Campbell's own adverse childhood experiences and it was agreed for further assessments to be carried out to explore the underlying triggers for such a decline in the home conditions. It was decided for a Child Protection Investigation to be initiated.

29.09.2020 [child] was discharged from foster care and returned home to the care of Ms Campbell and the writer and Social Worker Ms Meikle had noted stark improvements in the home conditions. Ms Campbell also appeared to have more insight into the seriousness of the situation and impact upon [child]...

30.10.2020 ... Social Work were to continue to work with the family on a multi-agency basis. Ms Campbell was subsequently charged with neglect under Section 12 of the Children's (Scotland) Act. Intensive family support service provided to the family.

20.05.2021 Following Ms Campbell's positive engagement with services and direct work with FAS worker (Intensive Family Support service, South Lanarkshire Council), the home environment was reported to be in a much more acceptable and safe condition for the Child to live in. Routines and boundaries were implemented into the Child's life, ... the case was closed to Social Work Resources, as the risk to both the Child and Ms Campbell had reduced significantly.

02.09.2022 Ms Campbell plead guilty to charges of neglect (Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937 S12 (1) Child) dating from 2020. Ms Campbell appeared at Hamilton Sheriff Court. Admonished and dismissed.

29.11.2022 Social Work Resources received a further police concern report, which advised they had visited Ms Campbell's home address for another matter (no crime established) and found the home to be in a state of disarray. Social workers planned for the Child to stay with a friend for three nights, to allow Ms Campbell to make improvements. A social worker was allocated to the family to provide support; however, it was reported that during home visits, the house had deteriorated further, and Ms Campbell was unable to recognise the impact of this on the Child. ...

02.12.2022 ... Ms Campbell signed section 25 Children (Scotland) Act 1995 paperwork to allow for the Child to be accommodated by South Lanarkshire Council. Supervised contact commenced between Ms Campbell and the Child on the 8th of December, ...

...**15.02.2023** ... The focus was on the parent capacity assessment taking place, which would take roughly three months to complete. The plan also included the progression of Future Pathways in their involvement with grief support ...

...**02.03.2023** A Second Working Day Hearing was held following the CPO being granted. Ms Campbell sought to revoke the order...

04.04.2023 A Parenting Capacity Assessment commenced with Ms Campbell. This assessment was reviewed twice, once on 21 April 2023 and again on 11th July 2023. While Ms Campbell attended session she was unable to demonstrate insight into the harm caused to the Child whilst in her care.

13.03.2023 ... An Interim Compulsory Supervision Order (ICSO) was implemented with a minimum of contact between the Child and Ms Campbell of one hour, once per week. ... This response was in relation to Ms Campbell denying this information [beetles and flies within the home]. ...

...**11.07.2023** A multi-agency meeting was held in respect of the Parenting Capacity Assessment that had been completed. The decision was that rehabilitation for the Child to go back to Ms Campbell's care would not be attempted ...

...**27.10.2023** A children's hearing took place whereby Ms Campbell accepted the grounds that were established. Therefore, it appears Ms Campbell is accepting in principle that neglect was caused and has not appealed this decision to date...

...**07.12.2023** Ms Campbell pled guilty to the S.12 (Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937 in respect of the incident in November 2022, which led to the Child being accommodated.

22.01.2024 Ms Campbell attended Hamilton Sheriff Court for sentencing, sentence deferred until 25.01.2025 for good behaviour.

26.01.2024 ... A contributing factor ... appears to have been linked to Ms Campbell not understanding the Child's needs, issues of jealousy and diet. Agencies met to reflect on this and identify supports. A pattern of Ms Campbell overindulging with gifts/money ... is undermining the routine and boundaries of foster carer...

...**12.02.2025** Ms Campbell plead guilty to charges of neglect (Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937 S12 (1) Child) dating from 2022. Ms Campbell appeared at Hamilton Sheriff Court. Admonished and dismissed.

17.03.2025 request for review report submitted. Ms Campbell advised she has called a hearing as she would like [child] to be returned to her care.

2025-04-30 Record of Proceedings

Elizabeth Campbell attended

Purpose(s) of Hearing to review the compulsory supervision order dated 29/08/2024 because a relevant person has requested it s.132

To continue the compulsory supervision order dated 28/08/2025. South Lanarkshire is the implementation authority and the order has effect until and including 9/04/2026. ...She is not able to return to living with her mother who has demonstrated on multiple occasions in the past that she cannot provide a safe, hygienic and nurturing home for [child]...

Mum, via her legal rep, requested to defer the hearing today so that they could then apply to Legal aid for funding of an independent parenting capacity assessment via a provider of mum's choice. She said this was only possible while a hearing is 'live'. The panel discussed that this was not a reasonable request nor a reason to defer reviewing [child]'s compulsory supervision order ...

Contact between the child and her mother Elizabeth Campbell is to take place a minimum of once per week, for a minimum of one hour, supervised to the satisfaction of the social work department. ...Mum agreed that she was in support of maintaining the current contact frequency if this is what [child] wants and did not push for increased family time.

2026-02-17 Social Work Review Report

Family time

...A feature of family is that Ms Campbell uses gifts (such as money/food/clothing etc) in a transactional way, and this undermines the quality of their time together. For example, Ms Campbell will often offer [child] her phone for the purpose of browsing things to buy, will not set limits on [child]'s spending ... observations and assessment of family time highlight Ms Campbell struggles to focus upon [child]. In the last few weeks Ms Campbell and [child] appear more focussed upon conversation with one another...

My Wider World

...Ms Campbell advises she and her sister (who were placed together) share close relationships with their parents. Sadly, their father died in 2024. In the last few years Ms Campbell has reconnected with some of her siblings who live in England and Wales. Ms Campbell had regular with her brother, his wife and their children who live in Blackpool.

...Following her separation from [] Ms Campbell and [child] relocated to Hamilton. Ms Campbell sought support from Burnbank family Centre and accessed support groups within the local community. Ms Campbell has core group of friends who are her main support network.

...In the last few months Ms Campbell has gained employment working two days a week as a cleaner for a service providing care to other in their home. It is noted that Ms Campbell has also been an informal carer for others within the community at times. In relation to Ms Campbell's employment, she advises she does not need to have a PVG check in order to carry out this role...

What is working well? (please list):

- Ms Campbell has the support of friends and family
- Ms Campbell is currently in employment

Summary analysis

...However, it has been highlighted that Ms Campbell does make an effort to engage with [child] and shows up for family time despite having far to travel.

Views of any other person who contributed to the wellbeing assessment (detail name and organisation)

...Mum does make good effort to speak to [child] about how her day has been, what she has done since they last saw each other and other general things...

2026-04-22 Decisions and Reasons

Purpose: to review the compulsory supervision order dated 30/04/2025 because it would otherwise expire s.133

Decision: To defer the decision on the review of the compulsory supervision order

Reason: Mums legal rep advised that mum had only received the papers for today on Friday and had not had time to consult her solicitor and instruct on the content of the papers. In the interest of fairness the panels decision was to reluctantly defer making a substantive decision today.

Various dates from 2023-03-02 to 2026-05-20 - Hearing Arrangement Forms

Noting that Elizabeth Campbell was to receive full Hearing papers.