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Social Work Department

Report for the Attention of Mr. A. Belford,
Depute Reporter to the Children's Panel.

Re - [REDACTED]

Lisa Tarbett (d.o.b. 7 8 74)

I write to advise you that [REDACTED] who are both currently subject of a 44(1)(a) supervision order have been received into care along with their brother and sister, [REDACTED] and Lisa in terms of Section 15 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act, 1968, as of 14 September, 1981. All four children are currently placed in Burnside Assessment Centre and I should be grateful if a children's hearing could be called [REDACTED] to consider bringing [REDACTED] and Lisa to a children's hearing as the reasons for their reception into care are that they are outwith parental control; father is unable and unwilling to cope any longer whilst mother is in desertion once more.

Please find enclosed a catalogue of significant events which have been extracted from the files of the R.S.S.P.C.C. and our own casenotes, these go back as far as 1969, and these together with the more contemporary reports submitted to your office in conjunction with children's hearings should distinctly portray the unsettled lifestyle exhibited by the parents to the children. It is only a matter of one year ago that a Section 15 Order was used in connection with the children. You may recall that Mr. Tarbett was present in your office one evening prior to the commencement of the children's hearing programme for that date, and on that occasion he insisted that he could no longer look after the children and requested their reception into care. During the intervening period, and as you are probably aware, Mrs. Tarbett has been absent from the family home for a period of approximately 7½ months. She returned recently for 10 days but left once more on Monday 7 September and her current whereabouts are not known, although it is suspected that she may be in the London area. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In recent months, Mr. McIntosh who is the social worker in this case, has kept me informed of developments within the family, and it would appear that Mr. Tarbett has been unable to effectively manage the children. [REDACTED]

The Housing Department have received numerous complaints in relation to the behaviour of the children, and detailed information concerning these complaints I am sure would be made available by [REDACTED] the housing officer in Kirkton. On 3 September this year Gillburn Primary School wrote to both Mr. and Mrs. Tarbett complaining about the unacceptable behaviour of [REDACTED] and Lisa and requested the parents to call at the school. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It is evident, therefore, that the domestic situation was tenuous in the extreme and on the 9 September Mr. Tarbett approached this office with a view to this department receiving the above mentioned four children into our care. In all honesty, if he had not approached us, we would have in all probability been writing to you requesting a children's hearing for the reasons already mentioned.

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Nevertheless at this interview it was made very clear to Mr. Tarbett that the children were becoming 'yo-yo' kids and should he pursue his wish to have them received into care we would not be amenable to returning them the instant his wife reappeared. I told Mr. Tarbett specifically that I would be writing to the Reporter with the object of attempting to have the younger children also placed on supervision. Mr. Tarbett was also given some insight into the emotional damage which undoubtedly was being caused to the children, but it is doubtful if he fully appreciates the point.

Consequently in the light of the foregoing circumstances the children have been received into our care and I would ask you to consider these circumstances with a view to attempting to have the two younger children placed on supervision also. Should you require any more specific information concerning any of the events eluded to please do not hesitate to contact either myself or the social worker concerned with the family, Mr. McIntosh.

John R. Anderson

Mr. J.R. Anderson,
Social Worker.

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copies to : Mr. R. Steven, R.S.M. Tayside House
Mr. J.P. Ingram, Area Controller Area 2
Mr. G. McIntosh, Social Worker, Kirkton

The following information was extracted from the files [redacted]

The Panel may find it useful as a reference guide to the relevant family history with regard to the children.

Generally the case first became known to the society in February 1968 when the mother complained that the father was squandering the income. The father was seen and warned.

16 April, 1969.

At the home in 11 Craigie Street the parents admitted leaving a child alone in the home, they were given a warning.

5 July, 1969.

Father put mother and child out of the home. Mrs. Tarbett returned on 7 July 1969, [redacted]

29 March, 1971.

Father complained that mother left the children alone in the home [redacted]
Mother was seen and warned - returned home 2 April, 1971.

1 May 1971.

Mother again deserted the home.

10 May 1971.

Father deserted leaving [redacted] in a friend's home.

6 December, 1971.

Mother left children alone in the home she was again seen and warned.

8 February, 1976.

Complaint received that children were alone in home lighting paper. When police and R.S.S.P.C.O. Inspector called parents had just arrived home - the parents were warned.

23 February 1976.

Children again left alone in home at night. Father was contacted and returned home. He stated that he had left mother caring for the children. Father was warned. Mother was seen and warned - she stated that she had only gone out for cigarettes.

20 May, 1976.

Both parents appeared at Dundee Sheriff Court charged under a contravention of Children and Young Person's (Scotland) Act, 1937. [redacted]

16 August, 1976.

Father had called at Social Work Department, Area 2 requested [redacted] and Lien [redacted] taken into care. Mother in desertion.

17 August, 1976.

17 August, 1976 (cont'd)....

/home on 14 August, 1976 because father had gambled the family income and [REDACTED]

Paternal Aunt telephoned complaining that the father had abandoned the five children on her in the street.

18 August, 1976.

Father took custody of all children except [REDACTED] who remained with the mother.

October, 1976.

Mother and [REDACTED] returned to the family home.

15 November, 1976.

25 January, 1977.

On a visit to the home mother, children [REDACTED] and Lisa were seen. The latter were in need of a wash. The home was in very poor order, clothing, paper, shoes and rubbish scattered over the floor. Hydro supply disconnected, mother receiving assistance from neighbours for cooking facilities. [REDACTED]

24 November, 1978.

Mother complained of assaults on her by the father, [REDACTED] and of father failing to provide adequately. Mother and children placed in 'Woman's Aid Refuge', by Mr. Cuthbert, Duty Social Worker. Mother and children returned to the home on the 28 November, 1978.

11 January, 1979.

Mother called at Society office with children [REDACTED], other children [REDACTED] and Lisa stated to be at [REDACTED], Dundee. Father claimed that mother was in desertion and as he had to enter Ninewells Hospital for treatment he requested that the three children with him be admitted to care. On learning later that father had not been admitted to hospital he was contacted and instructed to collect the children from the Children's Shelter. This he failed to do.

12 January, 1979.

On instructions from Mr. Whyte S.S.W. Area 2 mother called at the Children's Shelter and removed [REDACTED]. Mother and children then went to stay with a [REDACTED] Dundee.

29 January, 1979

Message from police control at 3.55a.m. that [REDACTED] and Lisa were being cared for by a [REDACTED], but that she could not cope any longer. Father's explanation for his absence was that he had been searching unsuccessfully for the mother who had deserted the home on the 27 January, 1979.

16 October, 1979.

I accepted transfer of this case from the Medical Social Work Department at Ninewells following a Children's Hearing on 12 October, 1979. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

5 November, 1979.

Mrs. Tarbett in desertion, Mr. Tarbett kept custody of children.

12 November, 1979.

Mr. Tarbett dumped children outside pub in Glasgow where he had discovered his wife with another man. Mrs. Tarbett returned to Dundee and after three days in a homeless unit was reconciled with her husband.

4 January, 1980.

Mrs. Tarbett in desertion - [REDACTED]

8 February, 1980.

Children's Hearing, Mr. Tarbett unable to cope with children, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

27 February, 1980.

Mrs. Tarbett returns.

22 July, 1980.

13 August, 1980.

21 August, 1980.

Children dumped at [REDACTED] by parents. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and Lisa placed in Duncan Place (Sect 15) but returned home after weekend.

15 September, 1980.

Children placed into voluntary care by Mr. Tarbett following wife's desertion. Mrs. Tarbett returned home a week later.

5 October, 1980.

Children removed from care by parents despite advice from Social Work Department to leave them.



Tayside Regional Council
72/74 Haldane Terrace,
Dundee.

Social Work Department
Dundee Division
Area 2

SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT

The following person:-

Surname	TARBETT	Date of Birth	16.3.73 / 7.8.74
Christian Names or forenames	[REDACTED] & Lisa	Religion	Protestant
Address	c/o Burnside House Harestane Road, Dundee.	Occupation	Schoolchildren
		Marital State	N/A

is to appear on 3rd February, 1982, 9.30a.m. Children's Hearing Court in connection with the crime or offence of 32(2)(c) Alleged lack of parental control & 42(b) Remit.

Previous Appearances as known to the Officer making the Report:

[REDACTED] and Lisa Tarbett's cases were last considered at a Children's Hearing on 13th January, 1982 at which time a second warrant was issued on both for their continuing stay at Burnside House Assessment Centre.

The grounds of referral for both, i.e. alleged lack of parental care, were referred to the sheriff as the children are too young to understand them. At the Sheriff Court, Mr. Tarbett, through his agent, accepted all the grounds of referral. i.e. over a period of years Mr. Tarbett and his wife had failed to provide their children with adequate parental care.

The Social Work Department have also been concerned, during the period in question at the frequent admission to and withdrawals from care by the parents, coinciding with Mr. & Mrs. Tarbett's disagreements and her resultant desertions. It is this Department's feeling that the Tarbett childrens long term future, lie in the care of the Local Authority. This thinking has been carefully considered in light of what the children have been subjected to and even if Mr. Tarbett and his wife should become reconciled at some time in the future, the childrens best interests would not be met by a return to their parents.

Several discussions have taken place with the management of Carolina House Children's Home in Dundee about the admission of [REDACTED] and Lisa and a plan to integrate them has been completed. This has included my talking to [REDACTED] and Lisa about Carolina House, a visit by staff to the children and two visits by the children to Carolina House, including an overnight stay.

I have therefore no hesitation in recommending Carolina House as a named establishment appended to a residential supervision order on both [REDACTED] and Lisa.

Mr. G. McIntosh,
Social Worker.

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I will attend the Hearing.

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):

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

Social Workers'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	ADDRESS IN CARE	D.O.B.
Lisa Tarbett	Carolina House	7.8.74

Lisa is the youngest of the Tarbett children and was placed with her siblings in the care of Burnside House Assessment Centre, Dundee in September, 1981. The children were the subject of an assessment meeting at Burnside on the 22nd October, 1981, at which time the opinion of the review body as minuted, was that Lisa and her elder brother [REDACTED] were suitable for fostering. This avenue was explored, but no suitable placement could be identified in Tayside and therefor the alternative of a residential establishment was pursued. Carolina House was approached for both Lisa and [REDACTED] and following a Children's Hearing on 3rd February, 1982, at which time Mr. Tarbett accepted 10 instances of alleged lack of parental care, both children were made subject to 44(1)(b) supervision order naming Carolina House and were admitted there on 5th February, 1982. Prior to the Hearing, a programme was worked out between Carolina staff and myself to ease Lisa and [REDACTED] admission there and this was completed satisfactorily prior to their arrival.

Since their admission to Carolina House I have seen Lisa and [REDACTED] on at least a fortnightly basis and they appear to have settled well despite other problems in their family setting with Mr. Tarbett and their older brothers. Mr. Tarbett has had fairly frequent contact with Lisa and [REDACTED] at weekends by visiting Carolina House although his motivation is suspected to have been partially his desire to have [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] placed there also. Mrs. Tarbett's precise whereabouts are unknown although she is believed to be in London. [REDACTED] lives with a man who beats her severely.

FUTURE In discussion of the case in the area, it is clear that Lisa and [REDACTED] future lie in long term care and that any reconciliation of the parents, or change in circumstances, will not warrant the children's return to one or both parents due to the history of poor care practice over the years from them. The children's immediate future lies in Carolina House with the option of fostering to be given further consideration.

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Signed

(Social Worker)

Date

6/4/82

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Lisa Tarbett	Carolina House, Dundee	7.8.74

The last review of Lisa's case was held in August, 1982. Since that time it is noticeable how much Lisa has developed physically and she really looks quite healthy in contrast to the child who came into care in September, 1981.

Lisa like [REDACTED] has been seen on a regular basis, at least once per fortnight and she impresses as a boisterous and sometimes bossy eight year old. She continues to show more outward sign of affection than [REDACTED] and emotion generally.

The placement at Carolina House has been a good one for Lisa to date although she has on occasion said she was bored.

No contemporary school report is to hand although like [REDACTED] no problems are known.

Lisa's health seems to be much improved on the first six months of her placement and gives no cause for concern.

Mr. Tarbett maintains frequent if not predictable contact but continues to let the children down by failing to appear when he has promised to. Contact with siblings is encouraged and appears to be reasonable. Mrs. Tarbett's whereabouts are unknown despite efforts to trace in connection with the parental rights issue.

The immediate few weeks following this review may be upsetting ones for Lisa and his siblings and Mr. Tarbet will no doubt cause disruption following the disclosure of this Departments plans for the long-term future of all the children.

Residential staff are aware of this however and close liaison will be maintained over this issue. The explanation of this matter to [REDACTED] and Lisa is to be tackled jointly by fieldworker and [REDACTED] care staff at Carolina House.

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In accordance with the long-term plan, work will be recommenced re. potential fostering following the conclusion of the parental rights submission.

Signed

(Social Worker)

Date 14th December, 1982

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Director of Social Work
Mr. J.D. Burrowes (Fieldwork)



Tayside Regional Council
72/74 Haldane Terrace,
Dundee.

Social Work Department
Dundee Division
Area 2.

SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT

The following person:—

Surname	TARBETT	Date of Birth	16 3 73; 7 8 74
Christian Names or forenames	[REDACTED], Lisa	Religion	
Address	c/o Carolina House, Dundee.	Occupation	School children
		Marital State	N/A

is to appear on 12 January, 1983 at Dundee Children's Hearing Court in connection with the crime or offence of 48(3) Annual Review

Previous Appearances as known to the Officer making the Report:

[REDACTED] and Lisa were admitted to care voluntarily by their father in September, 1981, and were subsequently referred to the reporter of the children's hearings by the social work department due to an alleged lack of parental care by both parents over a number of years. Although the grounds were accepted by Mr. Tarbett at a hearing, Mrs. Tarbett's whereabouts were unknown; the cases were then referred to the Sheriff Court for proof due to the ages of [REDACTED] and Lisa where they were established. During this period, Carolina House was identified as a potentially suitable placement for both and was consulted about this. Agreement being reached on this, the possibility was proposed to the hearing as that most closely meeting the needs of [REDACTED] and Lisa. The decision of the hearing on 3 February 1982 was that 44(1)(b) supervision orders on both children were made naming Carolina House.

In the past year both children have made good progress generally and are both in much better physical condition than on their admission. Contact with their family has been maintained with Mr. Tarbett seeing both reasonably regularly at Carolina House and occasionally at his mother's address where he now lives. Both children have done reasonably well at Glebelands school in the past year although [REDACTED] shows more interest and ability in schoolwork than Lisa.

Much discussion has taken place between social work department staff and Carolina staff re future plans for [REDACTED] and Lisa and the consensus of opinion is that although Carolina meets their immediate needs, their long term needs would be best met by a joint foster placement with parental rights vested in the local authority. Preliminary discussions have taken place re these matters and the parental rights question submitted to the local authority and both Mr. Tarbett and the children have been informed of this.

Attempts have been made to trace Mrs. Tarbett's whereabouts with regard to the above but these have been unsuccessful.

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and Lisa Tarbett (cont'd).....

In line with the feelings of all those involved in the care of the children,
I would recommend that the 44(1)(b) order naming Carolina House be continued
without variation.

Mr. G. McIntosh,
Social Worker.

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I will attend the hearing

CASE REVIEWS — CHILDREN IN CARE SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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NAME

ADDRESS IN CARE

D.O.B.

[REDACTED]
Lisa Tarbett

c/o Carolina House

Section 16 44(1)(b)

The above-named were last subject to a departmental review on 16 12 82 and the recommendations made at that time have been adhered to.

[REDACTED] future: No real change in plans indicated, although once parental rights case has been settled in the Sheriff Court preparatory work for fostering can get under way.

LISA: Like [REDACTED] no major problems since last reviewed, although she too has been affected by father's poor commitment and broken promises.

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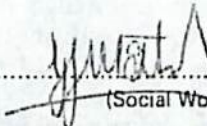
Both Lisa and [REDACTED] relationship with me appear to have been relatively unaffected by the parental rights assumption which might be because of father's poor contact and therefore influence.

Carolina continues to provide a secure and stable environment for Lisa but, as previously stated, she has shown a good deal of interest in the idea of fostering.

The last school report in January indicates no contemporary education problems.

Lisa continues to look in extremely good health and no physical problems are known to me.

Lisa's future: In line with that indicated for [REDACTED]

Signed 

(Social Worker)

Date 5/4/83

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NAME

Lisa Tarbett
[REDACTED]

ADDRESS IN CARE

Carolina House, 133 Broughty Ferry Rd.,
Dundee.

D.O.B.

7. 8.74
[REDACTED]

Section 16 and 44(1)(b)

.....

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Lisa :- Lisa continues to thrive physically although I feel she is more moody than she used to be, less outward in her behaviour towards myself and she may well be suffering from the same anxieties and pressures as Tommy. Lisa gives less indication of concern about her family than Tommy but no doubt these concerns are present within her.

Work since last Review :- Regular visiting on an approximately once weekly basis although I would have liked to have been able to give both [REDACTED] and Lisa more time on these visits.

[REDACTED]

Suitability of Placement :- Long term plans continue to work towards shared foster placement with Lisa and remain in 'safe' Carolina House environment until this can be achieved. The decision by Carolina House board, during the summer, to announce its impending closure has caused anxieties for [REDACTED] and Lisa but to move them elsewhere at this time would cause even more trauma and upset for them.

Contact with Parent & Family :- Mr Tarbett's visiting continues to be unpredictable but is more frequent than it has been in the past. The children look forward to his visits and are still disappointed and let down when he fails to turn up as is often the case. Mr Tarbett continues to live a carefree lifestyle and at present has no home of his own and lives with his parents in Mid Craigie.

Future :- In light of recent events [REDACTED] and Lisa's future should be along the lines of the long-term plans made some time ago, all things being equal.

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Signed

(Social Worker)

Date 20/9/83

Director of Social Work
Mr. J. D. Burrowes (Fieldwork)

Tayside Regional Council



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Tel. No. Dundee - 810101

Social Worker Mr. Gordon McIntosh
preparing report

SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT
CHILDREN'S HEARING

The following child:—

Surname TARBETT Date of Birth 7.8.74 (L)
Christian Names [REDACTED] Lisa Religion Protestant
or Forenames
School Glebelands Primary School
Address Carolina House Occupation Schoolchildren
Broughty Ferry Road
Dundee.

is to appear on 7th December, 1983 at Dundee Children's Hearing
in connection with 48(3) Annual Review

[REDACTED] and Lisa have been in care of the local authority by way of residential supervision orders for two years and during this time their home has been Carolina House Children's Home.

At the last Annual Review, it was stated that a submission to the local authority had been made recommending the assumption of parental rights on [REDACTED] and Lisa and their siblings as they all needed long term care. Parental Rights were assumed by Tayside Regional Council Social Work Committee in February, 1983 but this decision was appealed by Mr. Tarbett and comes to Dundee Sheriff Court for Hearing in January next. Mr. Tarbett's decision to appeal has meant that movement towards a joint foster placement for [REDACTED] and Lisa, felt to be the best long term care option by all agencies concerned, has not taken place.

If the Sheriff rules in favour of the local authority in the case, it would be my Department's intention to look again at the possibility of a foster placement. This long term aim is in no way a criticism of the care offered by Carolina House indeed it is my opinion that they would not be better cared for in any other local establishment known to me and certainly [REDACTED] and Lisa are happy and settled there.

The announcement by the Carolina House board made last summer that it was their intention to close did initially upset the children but I feel that with the help of the staff and recent developments they have been reassured.

Contact between Mr. Tarbett and [REDACTED] and Lisa remains unpredictable although it must be said he is visiting more often than he did a year ago. Their three elder brothers, [REDACTED] often visit them at Carolina House when on weekend leave from their respective schools and the children enjoy this. Family contact/

[REDACTED] Lisa Tarbett - Cont'd.

and knowledge is therefore very important to them and is encouraged by all caring for them.

Both [REDACTED] and Lisa are in good health and continue to progress at Glebelands Primary School.

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[REDACTED] Lisa is less fanatical in her leisure but does enjoy roller skating.

In conclusion, I feel that both [REDACTED] and Lisa's immediate long term interests would be best served by the continuation of their residential supervision order naming Carolina House,



Gordon McIntosh,
Social Worker.

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I will attend the Hearing.

Director of Social Work S. J. Moxley.

Tayside Regional Council

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Dundee.

Tel. No. Dundee 23281, Ext. 3710.

Social Worker
preparing report Mr. G. McIntosh.

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SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT CHILDREN'S HEARING

The following child:-

Surname TARBETT Date of Birth 7.8.84 (L.)
Christian Names Lisa Religion Protestant
or Forenames Lisa
School Glebelands Primary School
Address Carolina House Children's Home,
Strathmore Avenue, Dundee. Occupation Schoolchildren.

is to appear on Wednesday, 31st October, 1984 at 10.15 a.m. at Dundee Children's Hearing
in connection with 48(3) Annual Review

and Lisa's Supervision Orders were last reviewed on 9th December last
at which time the current order was renewed.

The past year has been an eventful one with several significant events for the children. In February the Sheriff Court upheld the Local Authorities' assumption of Parental Rights on the children at an Appeal Hearing initiated by Mr. Tarbett. The children know about this although I feel the concept and implications are hard for them to grasp.

In late Spring the children participated in a fostering preparation group run by the Department for children identified as being considered for this type of placement. This group was informative and educational for the children and useful for me as a measure of their understanding and feelings about fostering.

Also around this period the children's mother returned to Dundee for a short visit, having been absent for 3 years, and made contact with Mr. Tarbett and eventually myself. Unfortunately, Mr. Tarbett, by his actions over his estranged wife's brief return, caused some upset for and Lisa who did not see their mother, a decision taken by Mrs. Tarbett after discussion with the Social Work Department.

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Annual Review Report contd.

Lisa Tarbett contd.

/In mid summer a potential foster family for [redacted] and Lisa was identified and a programme of introduction was embarked upon. This consisted of a series of arranged contact with the family including overnight stays. The foster parents were also involved in appropriate discussion with myself and other members of the Social Work Department and residential staff. The outcome of this programme was that a decision was taken by the Department not to pursue this placement further. This decision was taken on 15th October following lengthy talks between the children and myself at which they expressed doubts [redacted]

[redacted] It is felt by the Department and residential staff that [redacted] and Lisa now require time to work through their feelings re this experience and they will be helped in this process by Carolina House staff and myself. The Social Work Department's current position re the desirability of fostering for [redacted] and Lisa is that a revaluation of this be made once this process has been worked through.

Whilst the fostering introduction programme was going on, Carolina House moved to new premises in Strathmore Avenue. This process does not appear to have been as disruptive as one might have expected and [redacted] and Lisa seem to have adapted quite well.

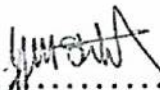
The children have remained at Glebelands School and this is felt to be important both in terms of their respective stages in the educational process and for emotional stability.

In terms of their progress in Carolina House since last reviewed, both children have given little cause for concern although Lisa is occasionally enuretic. The children have a close and trusting relationship with their residential key worker, [redacted] and I have worked closely with her on all the issues mentioned earlier.

Family contact, particularly with Mr. Tarbett, continues to be irregular. I recognise, as does the Social Work Department, that family contact is important to the children and consequently we attempt to facilitate this. Unfortunately, despite Mr. Tarbett's statements of good intention, his commitment in terms of deeds leaves much to be desired.

In conclusion it is the feelings of both Carolina House staff and myself that in the best interests of the children, their current supervision orders naming Carolina House be renewed.

25th October, 1984.
GMCI/MB.


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Gordon McIntosh.
Social Worker.

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Lisa Tarbett, (d.o.b. 7.8.74),
Section 16 Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.

Lisa is a stocky girl with short fair hair. Over the years she has had difficulty with her nasal breathing which has slightly affected her speech. Hopefully this will correct itself through surgery.

A friendly girl she appears well settled in her present placement.

Lisa and her siblings have been known to the Social Work Department since 1978 due to prolonged marital conflict.

In September, 1981, Lisa and three of her brothers were admitted to Burnside House as her father stated he could no longer look after the children whilst his wife was in desertion. As the marital conflict was of long standing it was felt that the children may require long term care and Burnside House was chosen as a placement in order to have a full assessment of what form of care this should be.

At an assessment meeting within Burnside it was felt that both [redacted] and Lisa should be considered for fostering. The behaviour of the elder family members meant that such an option was not felt feasible for them.

The avenue was explored but no suitable placement could be found within Tayside and a residential placement was pursued in the interim. Carolina House was identified for the children and they were admitted there on 5th February, 1982. [redacted]

In Spring, 1984 both [redacted] and Lisa participated in a fostering preparation group run by the Department. In mid summer a potential foster family was identified and a programme of introduction embarked upon. The outcome of this programme was that a decision was made not to pursue the placement further as the children and the case worker had some doubts [redacted]

[redacted] although it was felt Lisa would gain a lot from such a placement her ability to settle without her brother was in serious doubt.

Both remain in Carolina House at present and appear well settled. Contact with natural family is maintained on a regular basis.

P. Devlin
Mr P. Devlin, Social Worker.

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The following child:

Surname: **TARBETT**

Lisa 7.8.72

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

Christian Names
or Forenames: **LISA** [REDACTED]

Religion: [REDACTED]

School: **Lisa - Glebelands Primary** : [REDACTED]

Address: **c/o Carolina House,
Strathmore Avenue,
Dundee.**

Occupation: **Schoolchildren.**

is to appear on **Wednesday 16th October 1985 at Dundee**

Children's Hearing

in connection with **Section 48 (3), Annual Review.**

Family: Father : **David Tarbett - 90 Fenwick Place, Whitfield, Dundee.**

Mother : **Helen Tarbett - Living in London**

Children : [REDACTED]

Subjects :

Lisa Tarbett (11),

Subjects of this report.

Summary of Supervision Period :

[REDACTED] and Lisa's Supervision Requirement was last reviewed on 31st October 1984, at which time their Orders were continued under Section 44(1)(b), Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968. Both children also remain subject to Section 16 of the same Act.

Since the Hearing both children have remained in Carolina House and appear to be well settled there. The fostering programme undertaken during 1984 did appear to have an adverse effect on the children. [REDACTED] Lisa sought a lot of attention from staff. This behaviour did not last long and both children settled. The prospect of further fostering has been discussed with them but whilst Lisa would like to consider this again, [REDACTED] Lisa has said she would not go without [REDACTED] although the opportunity is there for her to approach staff should her feelings change.

Contact with family has been on a fortnightly planned visit to the children's grandparents' house. Their grandmother however died recently and the visits now take place at their aunt's house. Both children enjoy these visits although/-

Lisa & [REDACTED] Parbett, continued

their father is not always present. The children have had no contact with their mother.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Lisa is one of the youngest in Carolina House and enjoys the attention she receives from older girls and staff. She does not appear as lively as [REDACTED] but is becoming more outgoing. She enjoys normal activities for a girl of her age, music, clothes etc. Lisa occasionally has temper tantrums to attract attention but is being encouraged to handle these.

She has a continuing problem with her sinus passages which necessitated a short spell in hospital earlier in the year. She is at present trying a nasal spray to see if this will help. She continues to suffer from enuresis on an average of twice a week.

Lisa too is well settled at school. She receives average marks with her classwork and relates well to both adults and children in the school.

Assessment & Recommendation :

I took over as [REDACTED] and Lisa's Social Worker in June 1985. In the time I have known them they have presented as happy children well settled in Carolina House. They do have mixed feelings about the future [REDACTED] whilst Lisa would like to try fostering again but feels she wishes to stay with [REDACTED]. It may be that this attitude will change as she matures.

Both children continue to have regular contact with their natural family and this is seen as very important for them. It is intended that these visits continue.

At the present time however, it appears that both [REDACTED] and Lisa's needs are being met within Carolina House and they are both happy to remain there. I would therefore recommend that their present Supervision Requirement be continued without variation.

P. Devlin
Mr P. Devlin,
Social Worker.

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SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT CHILDREN'S HEARING

The following child: -

Surname **TARBETT** Date of Birth **Lisa 7.8.72**

Christian Names **[REDACTED] and Lisa** Religion **Protestant**

School **Morgan Academy**

Address **c/o Carolina House,** Occupation
..... **Strathmore Avenue,**
..... **Dundee.**

is to appear on at **Dundee** Children's Hearing
in connection with **Section 48(3) Annual Review**

Family

Father : David Tarbett 54 Whitfield Loan, Dundee.
Mother : Helen Tarbett Living in London; no contact.
Children: [REDACTED]

Lisa Tarbett (12) = Subjects of this report.

Summary of Supervision Period

[REDACTED] and Lisa's Supervision Requirement was last reviewed on 16th October 1985, when their orders were continued under Section 44(1)(b) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968. Both children also remain subject to Section 16 of the same act.

Since the Hearing, both children have remained in Carolina House and continue to be well settled there. Their progress has been reviewed at a Departmental Review on 4th March 1986 and will again be reviewed on 8th September.

Contact with their father and other family members is on a fortnightly basis with the children visiting the family home in Whitfield. Mr. Tarbett has been encouraged to visit the children in Carolina House at the children's request, but does not do so. Contact with other family members is on a haphazard basis, consisting mainly of chance meetings. There has been no contact with the children's mother and in discussion with the children's maternal grandmother, it appears the children's mother has had no contact with any member of her own family for some 2½ years.

Lisa

Lisa again is well settled in Carolina House. She too does not wish to attempt fostering again and in one discussion about this, Lisa quite pointedly ended the discussion by getting up and leaving. She enjoys contact with her family and gets more upset than [REDACTED] when visits do not go ahead. She and [REDACTED] both enjoyed a visit to [REDACTED] house in Aberdeen, but a further visit had to be cancelled when [REDACTED] left his wife and returned to Dundee.

Of late, Lisa has become more moody and tearful, although this is being put down to the onset of puberty.

Lisa too sees herself as remaining in care until she is at least sixteen, but the idea of spending time at home appeals to her. Again, as with [REDACTED] this would need much more planning and commitment from Mr. Tarbett.

Lisa has recently transferred from Glebelands Primary to Morgan Academy and appears to have made a good start. Her last school report from Glebelands showed her to be an average pupil who related well to her classmates and teachers.

Within Carolina House, Lisa presents no major difficulties. She does miss the family and life story books have been started with the children to help them work through their feelings.

Lisa has only a passing interest in outside hobbies, joining a club for a short time then leaving. She does have friends outwith Carolina House, who she sees regularly.

Lisa enjoys good health except for her enuresis, which is being closely monitored.

Assessment & Recommendation

At the present time, both [REDACTED] and Lisa see themselves as remaining in Carolina House at least until they are sixteen. Mr. Tarbett has recently got a larger house and speaks of taking the children out overnight, but as mentioned, this would require much more planning.

Both children are happy in Carolina House and respond to the support they receive there. /

there. This security is carried into their school life, where both are working at a good level and present no major difficulties.

It is intended that contact with their natural family continue, particularly as both enjoy this although sometimes it is on a haphazard basis.

At the present time however, it would appear that both [REDACTED] and Lisa's current needs are being met within Carolina House and that they themselves see this as home.

I would therefore recommend that their present Supervision Requirement be continued without variation.


Mr. Peter Devlin,
SOCIAL WORKER.

Peter

REPORT ON: LISA JANE TARBETT

D.O.B: 7 8 74

PLACE OF RESIDENCE: CAROLINA HOUSE
281 Strathmore Avenue
DUNDEE

SOCIAL WORKER: PETER DEVLIN

OFFICE ADDRESS: SWD, 6 Paradise Road
DUNDEE

REPORT FOR: PANEL/BXKMM

DATE: SEPT 86

Lisa remains in Scott House unit within Carolina House. The age range is 10-14 yrs. Although generally regarded as the youngest unit, responsibilities/expectations placed upon and undertaken by the members, has increased. Generally Lisa manages quite well in the preparation of meals etc.

Lisa's priorities in the group has altered ie for a period she had been held in the position of the youngest, but this has now changed. She has been allowed to develop and can be quite responsible at times. Lisa can appear quite indifferent to the various squabbles that arise and yet, at other times, it has been felt that Lisa has had to appear 'cheeky' in order to gain attention.

Within the unit, Lisa's actual 'conduct' does not create any real difficulties as she has shown she has the ability to mix well, be considerate, helpful and good fun, at times.

It is felt that Lisa's progression into puberty plays a contributory factor in her apparant moodiness of late ie tearful, stubborn, snappy and reverting to babyish talk. Coupled with this is the fact that Lisa has had, and continues to have, a great deal to contend with emotionally re the separation of, and from, her parents. It has always been uncomfortable for Lisa to disclose fully her anxieties/feelings re her personal circumstances. For a time, staff questioned whether Lisa's almost obsession with food was more related to comfort eating than just taste. As well as monitoring her diet, staff tried to be more attuned to Lisa's needs and provide the extra reassurances, offer of comfort, affection etc. It is hoped that with working on a family tree and Life Story Book this will help put some things into perspective and offer an opportunity to resolve some feelings.

Family contact remains an important factor to Lisa. Contact with Mr Tarbett is basically on a fortnightly basis, when the children visit Mr. Tarbett at his home. It would appear that there is little time spent specifically alone with Mr Tarbett as there are usually other members of the immediate and extended family there. Mr Tarbett has failed to respond to requests made by the children, staff and SW re visits to Carolina House and has also continued not to adhere to promises made. Lisa is probably the more visibly upset (between she and [redacted]) when this happens. She has, on occasion, sought her father out in the town, waiting outside public houses or 'betting' premises. This is obviously a concern and staff have advised Lisa on the matter. Although Lisa envisages herself remaining in care until at least age 16 yrs, she still retains the image of a return home should circumstances be different.

[redacted], Lisa states that she enjoys meeting the extended family. Her contact with her brothers is not all that regular, but Lisa seems satisfied to know of their well-being. She enjoyed her visit to Aberdeen to [redacted] and his family.

Lisa values the strong bond between she and [redacted]. Of late each is a little more intolerant, at times, of the other's attitude/actions, but differences usually don't last and matters are resolved.

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Lisa's progress at Glebelands School remained steady and she has now moved to Morgan Academy, which she seemed quietly pleased about. It is hoped Lisa will enjoy a benefit from the new experience and continue to work in the manner she has previously.

Lisa's interest and commitment to joining outside clubs etc is sporadic. However, she has a circle of friends outwith Carolina House whom she visits and invites to Carolina House.

Basically, Lisa enjoys good health but still attends DRI re her enuresis. As Lisa is maturing, she is now becoming more self conscious re this matter.

CONCLUSION

[REDACTED], Lisa realistically sees herself remaining in Carolina House until age 16 years. She too has strong reservations re fostering and it is felt this be acknowledged and respected. It is felt that for Lisa to continue at Carolina House will give her the security from which to maintain her family contact, but still allowing her the space to develop and the time to determine where she wishes her future to lie.

CASE REVIEWS – CHILDREN IN CARE SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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

Social Workers'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	ADDRESS IN CARE	D.O.B.
Lisa Tarbett	c/o Carolina House, Dundee	7.8.74

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	8 September 1986
DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	29 April 1986
DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	22 August 1986
DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)	

Lisa's case was last reviewed on 8 September 1986 since which time she has remained in Carolina House.

Following this review, the social worker was on sick leave until the beginning of November.

Within Carolina House Lisa is generally well settled but she has become more moody. As at her last review this could be due to the onset of adolescence but would appear to have become more evident since Mrs Tarbett reappeared in Dundee.

This has obviously been the major change in Lisa's circumstances since the last review. Mrs Tarbett arrived in Dundee at the beginning of December 1986 and it was decided we arrange a family meeting rather than this happening by chance. Lisa at first was very confused by this and at the meeting at Carolina House was uncertain how to react. Since then however she has had more contact with her mother and appears to enjoy this. How much of this is due to the novelty of the situation and the giving of presents, etc. remains to be seen but if Lisa continues to have this contact and Mrs Tarbett decides to remain in Dundee the question of home visits will recur. As the contact continues it will remain to be seen how Lisa reacts to it. I feel Mr and Mrs Tarbett would push towards them eventually caring for her and Lisa at the moment is liable to be sucked up into this idea.

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CASE REVIEWS – CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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NAME	ADDRESS IN CARE	D.O.B.
Lisa Tarbett	Carolina House, 281 Strathmore Ave, Dundee.	7.8.74

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	8.1.87
DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	8.4.87
DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	22.8.86
DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)	

Lisa's case was last reviewed on 8th January 1987 since which time she has remained in Carolina House.

As with [REDACTED] the main concern for Lisa at the last review was her mothers reappearance after an absence of some 7 years. Despite her promise to tell the children if she intended going away again Mrs tarbett returned to London without notice on 14th January and there has been no contact with her since. This was particularly hurtful for Lisa as she had throwm herself into this relationship with her mother and was then left. Lisa was given the opportunity to express her feelings in this respect but this will be longer term for her. She recently put the photograph she had of mum beside her bed away again showing her hurt. I feel that Lisa will at some stage need a "mother" figure in her life through Mainstay for instance as in the past she showed some positive feelings towards this but did nto want to go without [REDACTED]. As [REDACTED] gets older however and perhaps moves out of care Lisa herself may see this as an option. This is only something to bear in mind at the present time rather than a policy to be pursued. Lisa has recently asked for a female social worker as she feels she could relate better to a woman. This may be because of puberty, feelings of loss towards mum as well as a feeling that when she, [REDACTED] and I meet that the conversation is more of [REDACTED]'s interests than hers. This can be discussed more fully at the review.

Lisa has recently shown a willingness to involve herself in some clubs and it is hoped she can maintain this.

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Contact with family has continued on a fortnightly basis at home as well as Lisa meeting dad in town on Saturdays. Contact from the family at Carolina House has been minimal despite encouragements. My contact with Lisa has been both in Carolina House and outwith.

Lisa enjoys good health although she still suffers from enuresis. Staff have commented she sometimes goes into a daze and are watching the situation. Lisa is not aware of this and I would not intend to mention it at the review.

Lisa continues to do well at school and has nearly completed the 1st year at Morgan. She goes on a trip to France in June and is looking forward to this.

Carolina Houses' report show Lisa is well settled at the moment but does have a lot of unresolved feelings over mums departure and how to fill this loss. It may be as mentioned that as Lisa gets older she may consider a family placement however in the foreseeable future I feel she needs time to work through her feelings for mum.

Signed
(Social Worker)

Date25..May..1987.....

CASE REVIEWS – CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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Review – Thursday 26 November 1987

NAME	ADDRESS IN CARE	D.O.B.
Lisa Tarbett	Carolina House 281 Strathmore Avenue, Dundee	7.8.74

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE

DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION

DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT

DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)

Lisa was last reviewed on 26 May 1987 since which time she has remained in Carolina House.

The identified tasks at that time were:—

1. Continue life story book. Information has been gathered from the case files and the children have visited the various establishments they have lived in. The sheer amount of changes involving Lisa's elder brothers has proved very confusing and time consuming.
2. Transfer to a female social worker. This issue has not been tackled due to a lack of Senior Social Worker. I have continued to see Lisa on this basis but she always asks at what stage a transfer will be taking place.
3. Lisa to have her eyes tested and operation on teeth. These areas are covered in some detail in Carolina House's report.
4. Lisa to invite dad for tea. Lisa has done this and dad has been encouraged to come but has not.

5. Careers for Lisa. Staff will raise this at next parents meeting.

6. Lisa to visit her brother [REDACTED] in Dundee. Lisa spent a day and an overnight stay with [REDACTED] but he has since separated from his wife and is living in Dundee, so no more visits have taken place.

Within Carolina House Lisa appears well settled. As with [REDACTED], Lisa can be quite moody but if left, comes out of it. She was involved in a fight at the weekend (21 November) and had been drinking. This has been dealt with by Carolina staff.

Lisa's visits home have continued on a fortnightly basis although over the summer there was a difficulty [REDACTED]. A decision was made that in future Mr Tarbett should collect the children. He did this once but when it became apparent this arrangement was not working, I discussed with Mr Tarbett a return to the previous arrangement although he promised to contact Carolina House if for any reason he wouldn't be in. The children have also had contact with Granny Robertson. At the present time Mr Tarbett has a friend of [REDACTED] also staying at the home.

Lisa has had ongoing treatment for enuresis but is at present getting up during the night in an effort to combat this. This seems to be reasonably successful. Otherwise she enjoys good health.

She is well settled at Morgan Academy and is coping well with most areas of work. She has had a recent period of detention for fighting but my feeling is this has been dealt with by the school and is closed. She went to France with the school and thoroughly enjoyed this.

Socially Lisa has made a few friends in the Hilltown area and spends a lot of time there. As stated previously, there was an incident at the weekend and this will have to be monitored.

Lisa appears well settled in Carolina House and is gradually developing into a teenager. It is highly likely she will remain in Carolina House until looking at some form of independence.

Signed Pat Del
(Social Worker)

Date 26 November 1987

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CASE REVIEWS – CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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Social Workers'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).

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NAME	ADDRESS IN CARE	D.O.B.
Lisa Tarbett	Carolina House, 281 Strathmore Ave, Dundee	7.8.74

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE

26.11.87

DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION

16.5.88

DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT

May 1987

DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form FB)

Lisa

Lisa is subject to a Section 16 parental rights resolution. She presents as a pleasant, polite young girl, so far quite shy and quiet in a one to one situation with myself. I understand that she can be moody, and have noticed that when she is feeling more relaxed she can be assertive and make her feelings/views well known. Lisa seems to have no particular interests or hobbies, spending her time either in Carolina House or out in the neighbourhood with friends.

Work Done Since Last Review

I was introduced to Lisa on the 24th March, this being connected with recommendations from previous reviews that Lisa should be given a female Social Worker. My contact has so far been on a weekly to fortnightly basis. Much of this has been taken up with us getting to know each other, talking to Lisa about the things she does at Carolina House, at school, and during her visits to family. We have begun to discuss her thoughts about the future and more particularly, her views about placement with a family. As yet Lisa appears quite uncomfortable in exploring the subject. She has been attending the Teatime Scheme at the Rowans on a fairly regular basis. This was almost weekly with her previous Social Worker but since my own involvement I have had to reduce the frequency of such sessions. I have tried to explain to Lisa the purpose of the Teatime Scheme and how it varies from a Youth Club and it has been

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been agreed that whilst it is useful as providing outside activities for Lisa it would be more appropriate to explore alternatives in her own neighbourhood.

Suitability of Placement

Lisa is obviously very settled at Carolina House which provides her with a sense of stability and "safeness" and allows contact with family. She has recently been thinking about alternative family placement and quite understandably, seems very unsure and apprehensive. This is perhaps related to the length of time she has been in residential care and also her feelings of loyalty to her natural family. I believe that Lisa could benefit from a positive family experience, which would support her into her adult life. However she would have to be committed to such a course of action and at the moment feels very unsure.

School Report

See residential report.

Health

See residential report.

Family

I have not yet had the opportunity to meet with Mr Tarbett but hope to do so in the near future. Lisa continues to visit her grandmother and father on alternate Saturdays. Father's girlfriend is pregnant, the baby being due this month. Lisa found out about the pregnancy "by accident", was not told by Dad. She is obviously upset about this, whether through not being told by Dad or because the baby will represent a "new family" and hence new loyalty for Mr Tarbett. Lisa would prefer if this subject was not discussed at the review.

Future

It would seem important that Lifestory Work continue to help Lisa have realistic perceptions/expectations about her family, understand her past, and build up a sense of identity. Given Lisa's expression of interest, family placement will continue to be explored possibly through "games", questionnaires, paper exercises, etc. If this is pursued discussions will have to take place with Mr Tarbett - negotiation with Lisa about the most appropriate time.

Contact with family should continue to be encouraged.

Lisa's commitment to the Teatime Scheme at the Rowans can hopefully be redirected into a more appropriate provision and I have agreed to explore alternatives.

Signed Margaret Leslie
(Social Worker)

Date 20 May 1988

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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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	ADDRESS IN CARE	DOB
Lisa Tarbett.	Carolina House, Dundee.	7.8.74.

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	24/5/88.
DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	16/5/88.
DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	May, 1987.
DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)	

Work done since last Review:

I have tried to see Lisa on a regular basis at least every fortnight although this has sometimes been disrupted due to holidays.

Lisa's half-brother [REDACTED] was born in June of this year. It has been quite difficult to know Lisa's true feelings about this and I guess they have been mixed. She has shown some jealousy, particularly concerning material provisions for the baby and this has been talked through with her Key Worker. It has, perhaps, also emphasised to Lisa that Dad has other family commitments and priorities and that she needs to begin thinking more about her own needs and future..

[REDACTED] Lisa's Key Worker, continues in her attempts to do life-story work. Lisa needs quite a lot of "push" in this direction and I have already suggested [REDACTED] and I do this on a joint basis.

Work done since last Review: (cont'd)

Lisa has expressed a more definite interest in family placement. Given the restrictions in fostering placements, Mainstay would appear a more likely option although Lisa does have reservations regarding the "2 year limit". An informal meeting has been arranged with Dave Pearson of the Mainstay Team to discuss this in more detail. Lisa is also worried about how her father will react to her interest in family placement and I have made arrangements to see Mr. Tarbett prior to the Review to discuss.

Suitability of Placement:

Lisa is well established in Carolina House and no doubt could continue to be quite settled there - moving on to the semi-independence unit - until she leaves care. She has regular contact with family but this is a very superficial and limited experience of family life. I still feel Lisa could benefit from a positive family placement and her interest in this direction, perhaps, indicates a need/desire for some of the experiences family life could offer.

School Report:

Lisa attends Morgan Academy and seems to be doing well at School.

Health:

Lisa had her annual medical in May of this year at which time no major problems were noted. She has had some treatment for an ingrowing toenail and is waiting for a hospital appointment to have this removed. Her enuresis continues to be monitored by staff at Carolina House. She has regular dental treatment.

Home/Family:

Lisa visits her father and maternal grandmother alternate Sundays and often sees her Dad, [REDACTED] and the baby in town on Saturday. Regular contact with family is obviously important to Lisa although it seems that little interest is shown in her life at Carolina House. There have been a couple of visits to brother, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] rarely mentions her mother and this is an area which perhaps still needs to be sensitively explored.

Lisa and [REDACTED] continue to be close but are now thinking about their separate futures.

I have, as yet, only met Mr. Tarbett on one occasion when we briefly discussed Lisa's progress at Carolina House. He appears to have given little real thought to his daughter's future on leaving care but rather assumes that, like the boys, she will return home to live.

Signed Margaret Asquith
(Social Worker)

Future: /

Date 18th October, 1988.

Future:

Lisa can tend to present as lacking in self-confidence and to have difficulty in thinking about her own needs. She has, I feel, become a bit better of late but still needs encouragement and opportunities to develop her own individuality.

Given the interest in family placement, this is an area which we will concentrate more on over the next 6 months. Lisa's feelings about her own family have an important part to play in this and life-story work could be one way of looking realistically at the role her family plays in her life.

Past Social Work contact with Mr. Tarbett has been of a routine nature. Dad has shown no inclination to extend his involvement with Lisa and, therefore, there would seem little point in increasing our visits.

Margaret Leslie

18th October, 1988.

ML/CHB. (tarbettlisa)

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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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);

Review - 20th March 1989.

NAME	ADDRESS IN CARE	DOB
LISA TARBETT	c/o Carolina House, Dundee.	7.8.74

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	18.10.88
DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	16.5.88
DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	May 1987
DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)	

I accepted transfer of this case in mid-February as Mrs Margaret Leslie was going on Maternity Leave. Consequently I have not had the opportunity to get to know Lisa, but do not anticipate difficulties in this area.

Work done since last Review :

In October 1988, Lisa met with Dave Pearson from Mainstay Team and as a result, she agreed to complete the forms and these were forwarded to Mainstay shortly after Mrs Leslie's departure in February 1989. A few weeks later the writer was contacted by Mainstay advising a family in Dundee would be willing to discuss the possibility of a placement for Lisa with [REDACTED], Key Worker and myself. Lisa is aware the Mainstay forms have been submitted, and will be fully advised of the process as it progresses.

On 27th February 1989, Lisa and her brother [REDACTED] along with their Key Workers visited their brother [REDACTED]. This visit is reported to have gone well and will perhaps be repeated some time in the future.

Suitability of Placement :

Lisa continues to feel settled in Carolina House and will benefit from this security should the move to a family setting go ahead. Lisa remains in Scott House, but has managed to make a life for herself outwith Carolina House and regularly meets friends during the week and weekends.

School Report :

Lisa attends Morgan Academy and seems to be doing well.

Health :

In January 1989, Lisa was admitted as a day patient to Ninewells Hospital to have two ingrown toenails removed. She appears to have recovered from this operation. Lisa is still enuretic but staff at Carolina House continue to monitor this. She has regular dental treatment.

Home / Family :

Lisa remains in close contact with her father and maternal grandmother whom she visits on alternate Sundays. In addition to this, she often meets her Dad [REDACTED] and the baby in town on Saturday. During the recent visit to [REDACTED]

Future :

At the present time, Lisa seems quite keen to pursue a Mainstay placement and will therefore require support and guidance during this period. Having been in Carolina House for the last seven years, Lisa will no doubt find it hard to break her ties there although she herself has instigated and co-operated fully with the application to Mainstay.

Signed _____

(Social Worker)

Date _____

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/parents' views re future;

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

Social Workers' 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	ADDRESS IN CARE	D.O.B.
Lisa Tarbett	c/o Carolina House, Dundee	7.8.74.

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	20.3.89. - cancelled by arrangement with A.F.M.
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DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	17th July, 1989
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DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	29th May, 1989
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DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form FB)	
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Lisa

Lisa presents as a polite, sensible young girl who, can be quiet, but with encouragement will let her views be known.

During the earlier part of the year, Lisa regularly attended a Slimming Class and successfully lost approximately 1 stone in weight. She however, lost interest and her attendance consequently ceased. Much of Lisa's leisure time is spent with friends outwith Carolina House, but she keenly participates in activities organised by the establishment.

Work Done Since Last Review:

Since March the main focus of work has been in the area of securing a Mainstay placement for Lisa. Throughout, Lisa has stated she wishes to remain in Dundee and maintain contact with her father and maternal grandmother whom she visits on a regular basis. At the present time, there are no Mainstay Carers available within Dundee for Lisa, although her application remains with the Mainstay Team.

Contact with Lisa continues on a regular basis - approximately once or twice monthly. Lisa is generally forthcoming during these meetings which are spent both in and outwith Carolina House.

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Suitability of Placement:

Lisa continues to be keen to secure a Mainstay Placement and experience family life. The waiting time for Lisa is at times proving quite lengthy, but as she remains settled in Carolina House, she is coping well with the waiting involved.

School Report:

Lisa attends Morgan Academy and the recent report indicates she is doing well.

Health:

Lisa had her annual medical in July this year.

In January, Lisa received in-patient treatment for ingrown toenails. Signs are she may require further treatment as she has been referred to the out-patient department and is awaiting an appointment. Lisa's enuresis continues to be monitored by Carolina House staff but after examination, there appears to be no medical explanation for this. Lisa receives regular dental treatment.

Home/Family:

Lisa's contact with her father continues on a regular basis. She visits him fortnightly and often sees her Dad in town. Mr Tarbett and [REDACTED] separated earlier this year and Mr Tarbett cared for baby [REDACTED] during this period. The couple are now reconciled and [REDACTED] is expecting a baby. The week-ends Lisa is not visiting Dad, she visits her maternal grandmother.

[REDACTED] and Lisa both maintain contact with [REDACTED]

To date, the writer has been unsuccessful in contacting Mr Tarbett, despite making appointments. There has been no direct contact with Mrs Tarbett except for a 'phone call to Lisa during the summer. After residing in Greenock for a short period Mrs Tarbett as far as is known returned to London.

Future

Lisa at times finds it difficult to express her views, but her interest in Mainstay has remained throughout. This perhaps indicates Lisa is beginning to consider her future and she should be encouraged to express her views, and eventually lead a life outwith Carolina House.

Signed
(Social Worker)

Date 15 September 1989

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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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/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	ADDRESS IN CARE	DOB
Lisa Tarbett	c/o Carolina House, Dundee.	7.8.74

DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	21 September 1989
DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	17 July 1989
DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	29 May 1989
DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)	

LISA

Lisa, has, over the last few months matured into a young lady who will quite willingly express herself, especially in company she feels comfortable with.

WORK DONE SINCE LAST REVIEW

In September 1989, when the last review was held it was noted that Lisa had been waiting for some time for a Mainstay family. However, in November last year, a placement became available for Lisa and after receiving profiles, Lisa decided she would like to meet the family. Her first meeting with the couple - [REDACTED] and their daughter [REDACTED] aged 10 years took place on 4th December 1989. After this meeting Lisa decided she would like to pursue the placement further and Lisa had a variety of visits, overnight and weekend stays at the time of writing this report. Mr and Mrs [REDACTED] have welcomed Lisa into their family and invited [REDACTED] (brother) and her friends for tea. All this means a great deal to Lisa. She is now more relaxed in their company and/

and/
talks positively of the placement, which she hopes will begin on 16th February 1990.

Visits to Lisa have continued approximately once or twice monthly.

SCHOOL REPORT

Lisa continues to attend Morgan Academy and has just completed her prelims. Lisa wishes to continue to attend Morgan Academy and will travel from the Menzieshill area daily.

HEALTH

For the most part, Lisa has continued to enjoy good health. She was admitted as a day patient to Ninewells Hospital on 15th December 1989 to have an ingrown toenail removed. She has now recovered from this operation although did experience some post-operative discomfort.

HOME/FAMILY

Lisa remains in regular contact with her father and maternal grandmother whom she visits on alternate Sundays.

As far as is known, Mr Tarbett's relationship with [REDACTED] remains unsettled. Mr Tarbett is aware of Lisa's move to Mainstay although the writer has never had the opportunity of meeting him personally.

[REDACTED] and Lisa have contact with their brother [REDACTED] I. having visited as recently as 30th January 1990 with staff from Carolina House.

At the present time Lisa plans to continue her contact with her family.

FUTURE

Lisa is now looking forward to her placement with Mr and Mrs [REDACTED] and their daughter [REDACTED]. To date, Lisa has enjoyed a good relationship with the couple and all appear relaxed in each others company.

Contact with Lisa will continue and it is hoped her transition from Carolina House where she has been a resident for 8 years will go smoothly. Lisa will maintain links with Carolina House as her brother [REDACTED] continues to reside in the establishment.

[REDACTED] Lisa's keyworker throughout her stay in Carolina House has expressed willingness to provide support to Lisa as they have known each other for sometime. [REDACTED] has had regular contact with Mr and Mrs [REDACTED] and been involved in Planning Meetings will all concerned.

Note - Mr and Mrs [REDACTED] will attend the Review.

Signed

Chris Partridge S.S.W.
(Social Worker)

pp. Joyce Galt.

Date 07 Feb 1990

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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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	ADDRESS IN CARE	DOB
LISA TARBETT	c/o [REDACTED]	07.08.74
DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	14 February 1990	
DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	July 1990	
DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	(left school 25 June 1990 (31.05.90)	
DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)		

LISA

Now 16 years of age, Lisa is growing in confidence and more willing to express her views and ideas. She continues to be polite and takes an interest in her appearance.

WORK DONE SINCE LAST REVIEW

When the last review was held in February this year, Lisa was about to move to Mainstay Carers - Mr and Mrs [REDACTED], following introductions which had gone well. Lisa finally left Carolina House on 16 February 1990 and moved to [REDACTED] where she has a room of her own. Since February the placement has gone well and Lisa has felt "part of the family" from an early stage.

Since February, visits have continued to take place approximately every three weeks when Lisa and myself will meet in town for coffee and then return to [REDACTED]. Lisa appears settled within the placement and will discuss difficulties with [REDACTED]. There has been the occasional family argument, but this has been discussed and talked about openly and honestly with all concerned.

On the financial side, the department have supported Lisa in purchasing new clothing. With [REDACTED] support, Lisa purchased modern, feminine clothing. The department have also supported Lisa's holiday to Yugoslavia in July of this year. Since May 1990, Mr and Mrs [REDACTED] have been in receipt of a 50% enhancement because of Lisa's nocturnal enuresis. Lisa has, since starting college, required books and stationery and this has been supported by the department. Mr and Mrs [REDACTED] are in receipt of payment for a monthly bus pass for Lisa as she travels daily to and from college and regularly visits her father and brother who both reside at the other side of town.

SUITABILITY OF PLACEMENT

Lisa relates well to both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and enjoys a good relationship with their daughter [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] are keen to encourage Lisa in her academic career and since moving, Lisa has become more confident and willing to express her opinion. She has a room of her own and has chosen her own decor and made the room homely.

When Lisa moved from Carolina House, she was encouraged to bring friends and relatives to the house. Unfortunately Lisa's friends did not accept this invitation and since moving, her friends are no longer in contact with her. Lisa has therefore spent most of the summer in the company of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Throughout the placement, Lisa has been encouraged to maintain her family contacts. She regularly visits her dad and her brother [REDACTED] who is now residing independent of Carolina House. [REDACTED] has visited Lisa at the Woods.

Since being placed with the [REDACTED] Lisa has been looked upon as one of the family. She had the experience of her first family holiday abroad earlier this year and although she enjoyed the experience, there had been a mistake with the booking and the hotel they were placed in had no entertainment, therefore Lisa was a little disappointed. Mrs [REDACTED] however has booked a weeks holiday at Butlins from 29 September 1990. Lisa and [REDACTED] are both looking forward to this. [REDACTED]

SCHOOL REPORT

Lisa left Morgan Academy in May this year. She commenced a one year office skills course at Blackness Road Annexe in August and is enjoying her studies. Lisa is hoping to make new contacts at the college and has already resumed contact with "an old friend".

HEALTH

Lisa generally enjoys good health. She continues to suffer from nocturnal enuresis and since 23 May 1990 Mr and Mrs [REDACTED] have been receiving a 50% enhanced allowance. Lisa has been referred to a clinic held in Lochee Health

Centre and is awaiting an appointment in September for further treatment for this condition.

As a result of her annual medical, the GP referred Lisa to the dietician as she is still overweight. A diet sheet was issued and Lilian monitors her meals closely and Lisa reports she is beginning to lose weight.

Lisa is still keen to have her teeth re-aligned and earlier this month [REDACTED] accompanied her to an appointment at the Dental Hospital. She is to see a Specialist on 20 November 1990.

CONTACT WITH NATURAL PARENTS

Lisa continues to visit her father regularly. Mr Tarbett and [REDACTED] reside in Whitfield with their two children - [REDACTED]. Lisa has, on occasions, been asked to babysit, but with [REDACTED] support she has refused. Mr Tarbett has been invited to contact the department but has not done so to date. Mrs Tarbett was, according to Lisa, in Dundee recently, but Lisa chose to make no contact with her. There have been occasions when [REDACTED] has met Mr Tarbett in town with Lisa, but no formal arrangements have been made.

SUMMARY

Lisa has settled well with the [REDACTED] and the family have adjusted to having a teenager in the house.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are supportive to Lisa and provide her with encouragement without being too demanding of her. They hope by supporting her with her college application and now her placement there her job prospects will improve. Having lost her friends shortly after her departure from Carolina House, Lisa has spent a great deal of time in adult company, but perhaps this will change now she has begun to mix with a group of her own age and hopefully she will develop new interests.

Making the decision to move to Mainstay was a big decision for Lisa, but having made it she has decided to give the placement her full commitment.

Signed

Joyce Hall
(Social Worker)

Date

13/9/90

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12.09.90
(A016/tarbett.1)

CASE REVIEWS - CHILDREN IN CARE

SOCIAL WORKER'S REPORT

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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	ADDRESS IN CARE	DOB
LISA TARBETT	c/o [REDACTED] Dundee	07.08.74
DATE OF LAST REVIEW OR CASE CONFERENCE	25 October 1990	
DATE OF LAST MEDICAL EXAMINATION	July 1990	
DATE OF LAST SCHOOL REPORT	Lisa left school 31.05.90	
DATE OF LAST FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT (Form F8)		

LISA

Lisa appears settled within her present placement with [REDACTED]. She continues to be able to express herself and gaining confidence all the time. Lisa's leisure time is mainly centred around the ex-residents group at Carolina House and visiting her father in Whitfield.

WORK DONE SINCE LAST REVIEW

Regular visits to Lisa and the Mainstay carers have continued and take place every two/three weeks. Lisa has spoken about lifestory work. She had in fact started this before her move from Carolina House, but is now more interested in finding out the reasons behind this move. Unfortunately, I have not been able to provide Lisa with the details because of work commitments, but have

not forgotten about her request. Mrs Tarbett returned to Dundee in November last year. Lisa requested I contact her and she herself had informal contact. Mrs Tarbett secured a tenancy in Dundee but left the area during January 1991. Up until last week, Lisa had had no further contact from her. During the Easter holidays, Lisa spent an enjoyable week with her aunt in Glasgow, travelling there and back alone.

Lisa has recently placed an application with Gowrie Housing Association and plans to move to independent living when she is 18 years of age.

SUITABILITY OF PLACEMENT

Lisa remains settled with the [REDACTED] and receives a great deal of encouragement from them in all she does. Over the last few months, introductory visits have been taking place in respect of a new placement for the family. [REDACTED] Throughout this process, Lisa has been consulted fully and no difficulties with the new placement have to date arisen.

Lisa remains very much part of the family and is given the opportunity to be included in all family activities. At the present time Lisa is involved with the ex-residents group at Carolina House and therefore spends more time than previously outwith the family home in the company of a peer group. With encouragement from [REDACTED] Lisa has been persuaded to spend a few days in Aviemore with her classmates from college and enjoyed the experience. There is a possibility of her spending a week with the ex-residents group towards the end of college term. Lisa is also looking forward to a family holiday in Spain in July this year.

COLLEGE REPORT

In August last year, Lisa commenced a one year office skills course at Blackness Road Annexe. For the most part, she has enjoyed the course, although found shorthand difficult, and shortly after the last review, decided to drop the subject. She is presently on work experience in a local travel agent one day weekly. Lisa has always had an ambition to work in this environment, and depending on the progress she makes, there may be the opportunity of full-time employment for her. In order to improve her prospects, Lisa has agreed to spend additional time at the shop until her employment prospects have been decided.

HEALTH

Lisa continues to try to loose weight and receives encouragement from [REDACTED] for her efforts. She has recently been discharged from the Enuretic Clinic [REDACTED]

CONTACT WITH NATURAL PARENTS

Lisa continues to have regular contact with her father. Mr Tarbett and [REDACTED] reside in Whitfield with their two children. [REDACTED]

Mr Tarbett makes no contact with Social Work Department. However during Mrs Tarbett's spell in Dundee, she was invited and discussed Lisa's present situation with myself. After leaving Dundee in January 1991, Mrs Tarbett was not in contact with Lisa until earlier in April when she was visiting Lisa's brother [REDACTED]

SUMMARY

Lisa has now resided with Mainstay carers for over a year and is settled within the placement. She is encouraged to bring friends to the house and will advise [REDACTED] of her movements for the evening.

As already mentioned, Lisa has coped well with the prospect of [REDACTED] residing with the family. This is due mainly to Lisa not feeling threatened and being consulted throughout. Before accepting a second placement, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] gave consideration to Lisa and did not wish to unsettle her as they now see her as part of their family.

Signed

Joyce Hall
(Social Worker)

30.04.91
JG/DMM
(AO16/tarbett.1)

Date

30th April 1991

REPORT ON: LISA TARBETT

D.O.B: 7 8 74

PLACE OF RESIDENCE: 24b Campbell Street
DUNDEE

SOCIAL WORKER: Eleanor Mands

OFFICE ADDRESS: Social Work Department
6 Kirkton Road
DUNDEE

REPORT FOR: ~~PANEL~~/REVIEW

DATE:

Since April Lisa has been staying in a Gowrie flat sub-let to her through Carolina House, with a view to Lisa taking on the tenancy herself in the future. Lisa had expressed a need to move on to her own flat after spending 6 months in a Carolina House community-based residential facility.

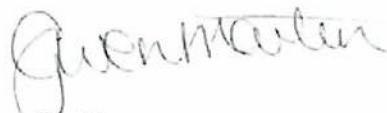
Lisa stays in a one person flat which is part of a small block in a quiet residential area off the Lochee Road. Lisa has adapted well to living independently and on her own.

Lisa still has access to contact with staff through weekly meetings with her key worker and the contact point. Lisa negotiated weekly support as she felt this was what she needed but she is quite able to seek out staff help if she needs it.

At the end of February Lisa secured a YT placement through Blackness Training Co at Northern College Nursery. Lisa was very happy about this and is still enjoying her placement. She has expressed an interest in studying nursery nursing at college but is happy to finish her placement first.

Lisa has been spending a great deal of time with her family, especially dad, and friends of the family. She is also seeing some of her peers outwith contact point times at Carolina House. These extra supports are helping Lisa to settle into independent living. It can sometime, however, be difficult for staff to contact Lisa as she is often out visiting family and friends.

Overall, Lisa is coping well with living on her own and is looking forward to moving towards her own tenancy. Carolina House will continue to support her in her flat and for the foreseeable future.



Gwen Martin
Outreach Support Worker

TAYSIDE REGIONAL COUNCIL
SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT
(DUNDEE DIVISION)

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Case No. 2466
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(1) [redacted]
(2) [redacted]
(3) [redacted]
(4) [redacted]
(5) [redacted]
Name: ISSA Tarbett Date of Birth: 7 8 74
Address: [redacted] c/o Carolina House, Dundee.
Father's Name (where appropriate): ISSA Tarbett
Address: c/o 72 Drumlanrig Drive, Dundee.
Mother's Name (where appropriate): Mrs. Helen Tarbett
Address: [redacted] unknown
Admitted to Care other 4 children 14 9 81 Parental Rights assumed
Date of Supervision Requirement

Brief Summary of case including reason for referral :

[redacted] The four younger children were taken into care on 14 September, 1981.

The Tarbett family have been known to both the RSSPCC and the social work department for a number of years due to the poor parenting and neglect of the children by both Mr. and Mrs. Tarbett (see attached chronological histories). Mr. and Mrs. Tarbett's marriage has been regularly punctuated, over the years, by disputes and separations usually resulting in the children being cared for by someone other than the parents. Over the past four years, these marital disruptions and their effect on the children have resulted in the children being admitted to care on four occasions for varying periods. Mr. and Mrs. Tarbett were warned in late 1980 and Mr. Tarbett in April 1981 that if the children had to be admitted to care again, in circumstances similar to past occasions, that appropriate steps would be taken to ensure the adequate future care of the children by the local authority.

See attached report.

Date 8/11/82
Date 8/11/82

[Signature]
John R. Anderson
Senior Social Worker

(a) Decision of Area Controller

Date 18/11/82

Agmad
Janet King
Area Controller

Passed to Divisional Headquarters

(N.B. All submissions must be accompanied by Case Papers or Case Notes)

(b) Decision of Divisional Director of Social Work

Date

(c) Decision of Regional Director of Social Work

Date

(d) Decision of Committee

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Date

Noted by Finance Section

Date

Action taken

Tarbett children - Assumption of Parental Rights (cont'd).

Mrs. Tarbett deserted the family in February of 1981, and returned for a few days only in August, 1981, to disappear again, and her current whereabouts are unknown. Mr. Tarbett had the sole care of his four younger children from February 1981 to mid September, 1981, although the three eldest children were all subject to children's hearing supervision orders. This six month period showed a steady decline in Mr. Tarbett's parenting and general standards and the situation was giving cause for concern when in early September Mr. Tarbett requested that the four children in his care be voluntarily admitted to Local Authority care. At that time Mr. Tarbett was asked to give careful consideration to the implications of his request as per the previous warnings re the social work department's concern about the possible harm being done to the children by inconsistent parenting and being frequently placed in care by the parents and removed again. Mr. Tarbett returned to the social work department on the 14 September, 1981 and reiterated his request for voluntary care measures and signed his children into care stating that the children were outwith his control and furthermore that he was unable and unwilling to cope any longer. Mr. Tarbett was informed at that time that the children would be admitted to Burnside House and assessed and the cases referred to the Reporter to the Children's Hearings. Mr. Tarbett was evicted from his Kirkton home late 1981 and has stayed with his parents in Mid-Craigie since.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Tarbett children - Assumption of Parental Rights (cont'd)

[redacted] and Lisa are the youngest of the five children and were placed in Carolina House Children's Home from Burnside House by a children's hearing by the recommendation of residential staff and social worker. Relative to their elder brothers they gave the impression of being the happiest and most settled, but symptoms have been, and are, present of their traumatic upbringing. Mr. Tarbett if not actively disruptive towards the plans for [redacted] and Lisa, has not been co-operative. There was a period from March to April 1982, when Mr. Tarbett made no contact with either [redacted] or Lisa for 6 weeks despite encouragement from the social worker to do so, and this period included Lisa's stay in hospital for a few days for a minor operation which Mr. Tarbett was informed of. As stated the frequency of his visiting has given rise to concern but equally so has the quality of visits and contacts he has made. Residential staff have observed him to be under the influence of alcohol on visits, although not drunk, and have had to warn him about this. Staff also comment upon the scant attention he often pays to [redacted] and Lisa and on one occasion he fell asleep during a visit.

It is the feeling of both residential and field social workers that although Carolina House meets both children's immediate needs, their long term requirements and security would be best met with a foster family together.

As stated previously, Mr. Tarbett's co-operation in the care plans for his children has been poor or more usually non-existent, and this is not a new phenomenon dictated by personalities of those involved, as the records of several years can substantiate.

[redacted]

On the 21 January, 1982, Mr. Tarbett appeared in Dundee Sheriff Court Chambers to answer the same alleged ground for referral applied to both he and his wife's parenting. Unfortunately, Mrs. Tarbett was not present as her whereabouts were not known. This ground was also established and a subsequent children's hearing placed [redacted] and Lisa on supervision orders.

As previously stated, Mrs. Tarbett's whereabouts are unknown, although efforts to trace her have been pursued by the social work department to no avail.

[redacted]

Thus all five Tarbett children are currently subject to residential supervision orders under Section 44(1)(b) Social Work (Scotland) Act, 1968. This measure alone, however, does not assure the children or those concerned with the professional care of them of the continuity of adequate care and planning and it is felt that the assumption of parental rights by the local authority is the correct course to take in these circumstances.

Tarbett children - Assumption of Parental Rights (cont'd).

Recommendation:

The grounds for this request are contained in Section 16 Social Work (Scotland) Act, 1968, as amended by Section 74 of the Children's Act, 1975.

Applied to Helen Lundie or Tarbett (mother)

Section 74

subsection 2(a) has abandoned the child

(d) is of such habits or mode of life as to be unfit to have the care of the child

(e) has so persistently failed without reasonable cause to discharge the obligations of parent or guardian as to be unfit to have the care of the child.

Applied to David Tarbett (father)

Section 74

subsection 2(e) has so persistently failed without reasonable cause to discharge the obligations of parent or guardian as to be unfit to have the care of the child.