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To  
P Macfarlane  
Assistant Area Manager  
Stirling Area Office

From  
Mr C Findlay  
Principal Officer (Child Protection)

cc R Bolton, SSW, Bannockburn  
M Dunn, SW (CP), Stirling

Extension 413/463

Our ref CF/MEH

Your ref

Date 29 March 1990

Subject :

Child Protection Procedures

Name Margaret BULLEN

Date of Birth 13.12.75

Address 42 Berryhill, Cowie

Present Address: Youth Care Centre, Polmont

Further to your report dated 20.3.90 I have decided to:

Take no further action at this time

## CHILD PROTECTION

|                                                   | SURNAME                    | FORENAME(S)              | D.O.B.   | RELATIONSHIP                 |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------|------------------------------|
| Child(ren)<br>Identify:<br>M = Male<br>F = Female | BULLEN                     | MARGARET                 | 13.12.75 | SUBJECT                      |
| Other<br>Children in<br>Household                 | BULLEN<br>BULLEN<br>BULLEN | DUNCAN<br>LESLIE<br>JOHN |          | BROTHER<br>SISTER<br>BROTHER |
| Adults in<br>Household                            | BULLEN<br>KELLY            | MARGARET<br>WILLIAM      |          | MOTHER<br>MOTHER'S CO-HAB    |

Home Address:  
42 BERRYHILL, COWIE

Present  
Address: C/O YOUTH CARE CENTRE,  
WEEDINGSHALL,  
POLMONT

## Brief Details of incident and/or areas of concern.

Margaret was received in care on 13.3.90 when her mother contacted the Social Work Department advising that Margaret was beyond her control. Margaret is known to the Social Work Department because of aggressiveness and behavioural problems at home and in school. Truancy is also a problem. In the course of R. I. C. Margaret alleged that her mother's co-hab William Kelly had assaulted her on 9.3.90. She had a fading bruise at the corner of her right eye. Margaret saying this was not the first time she had been hit.

## Referral Source:

Senior Social Worker  
Rosie Bolton

G.P.: Dr. Fisher

School/Nursery:  
Bannockburn High

## Date and Time information received:

14.3.90 11.30 a.m.

## From whom received:

Area Manager, G. Burt

Currently on Register: ~~Yes~~/No

Previously on Register: ~~Yes~~/No

Previous Incident Report: ~~Yes~~/No - If Yes, give dates:

## Date and Time Police contacted (Social Workers only):

14.3.90 12noon

## Investigating Police Officer:

D. C. [REDACTED]

Date and Time Social Worker contacted (Police only):

Was a Joint Investigation/Planning Meeting held? Yes/~~No~~

If YES, specify date, time, place and decision reached:-

14.3.90 12 noon. Bannockburn C. P. Unit

Decision taken to

1. Speak with Margaret at the Youth Care Centre
2. Arrange medical examination if appropriate
3. Discuss the incident with Mrs. Bullen and ascertain her plans in respect of Margaret.
4. Liaise with S. S. Worker re the outcome of the investigation.

If NO, specify date, time, and decisions reached following Police/Social Work consultation:-

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Information from Police:

Type of Report submitted:

RS1a No.

Accused or suspect (specify relationship, if any):

Nature of Charge:

Information from Social Work:

Intended Course of Action: No further action

Proceeding to Case Conference: Yes/No, if YES, date and time .....

Incident Report Form: Date requested .....

Medical Examination: Yes/No By Whom: ..... Where: .....

If Yes, give brief details: Not appropriate:- Margaret had a slight fading yellowish bruise below the right eye, consistent with the explanation given. She stated she had no discomfort nor other bruising to her body.

Estimate time spent on investigation:

Police:

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Social Work:

14.3.90 2 hours

15.3.90 1 hour

Please comment in any other way on the investigation process:

This investigation has established that on Friday, 9.3.90, Margaret was slapped on the face by her mother's co.habitee, William Kelly. This followed an incident where Margaret had been caught associating with teenagers against her parents wishes.

Margaret presents as being a strong willed young lady well able to stand up for herself. The family are currently receiving Social Work support and guidance, which amongst other things will deal with family relationships and discipline.

Under the circumstances I would suggest no further action in terms of Child Protection Procedures at this time.

*Marion Dunn*

Name ..... Marion Dunn,

Designation ..... Child Protection Worker

Date ..... 19.3.90

Countersigned:-

*R.A. Barton* ..... Date *20.3.90*  
Senior Social Worker (for Social Workers)

..... Date .....  
Detective Sergeant (for Police Officers)



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Referral Number

08576

## SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

Social Worker

Rose  
Hudson.

## EMERGENCY DUTY TEAM

Surname:

Forenames:

Date

13.2.90.

BULLEN.

Margaret

Time Call Received

21.00

Address:

42 Bennyhill  
Banville

D.O.B./AGE

14.

Time of Attendance

21.30

Time Spent

2½.

Area

Banmoleen

Source of Referral:

Rose.

Reason for Referral:

T.C. from Rose received by Rosie Bolton EOT. Rose advised that Margaret had been absent from school today and had been caught in the shoplifting centre by her mother and her siblings, and had been searched and

Action Taken:

He took Mrs B. had phoned Rose and asked if she would visit. Rose visited the family to discover that Margaret had a slight bruise to her right eye and Margaret claims that this was done by her stepfather on Friday last week. The situation at home has broken down with Mrs B. requesting that Margaret be received into care. Rose requesting assistance.

Follow-up Action Required:

Initially given that an assault on Margaret had been alleged EOT passed information on to the Police CPU. Discussed case

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and admitted that it was likely  
that Margaret would be coming  
into care on a voluntary basis under Sec 15.  
It was felt that if this was the case then the MAI  
allegation could be investigated tomorrow given  
that Margaret would be safe tonight.  
EDT agreed to phone CPU if there was any change  
once I had had her coming out.

Home visit carried out and the nurse met up at  
the house with SW Rose. Mrs B was still stating  
that she wanted Margaret received into care.  
She explained that today's principal ~~so~~ had come  
about because Margaret had been sent off to  
school today in her school uniform. However instead  
of going to school she had gone to her friend's house  
where she had changed into all clothes and then  
travelling from school. However he's rather and  
cavalier had been in the shopping centre and  
spotted her there with another girl. Margaret  
had noticed them and went into

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her parents. Mrs. Bullen lost however followed her into the shop and found her hiding in a changing room. She then took Margaret out of the shop and as she tried to run away Mrs Kelly had grabbed her by the jacket but did not hit her.

Margaret did have yellowish bruising in the area of her right eye which it is alleged was caused by ~~Mrs Bullen~~ Mrs Kelly slapping her [REDACTED]

Discussed with Mrs B. the purpose of Sec 15 and advised that more would have to be done on both sides with a view to getting Margt. home as soon as possible and getting the existing problems sorted out.

Margt taken to YCC.

SIGNED