

THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

CHILD IN CARE

Name (s) : Angela Cross

Date (s) of Birth: 22.5.67

Date of Admission: 15.3.82

Home: Hawthornbrae

Local Authority (give address): Lothian Region
Craigmillar Area Office
182 Greendykes Road
Edinburgh

Name of Social Worker: E Snaddon

Telephone Number: 669 1257

Act and Section under which admitted:

If no Local Authority involved - Name and address of Parent/Guardian:

Father: William Cross	Mother: Pearl Cross
5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan	c/o Lochalsh Road
	Inverness

Reason for coming into Care:

Lack of parental care and breakdown of placement at home

Name and address of Parents/Guardian:

as above

Social Contacts: Grandmother: Mrs McDonald, 90 Lochlash Road, Inverness

Date of Discharge:

MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF CHILD

Reception into care medical ☐28 day medical ☐Annual medical ☐Transfer/discharge medical ☒

Please Return to

Name E SNADDON

Address CRAIGMILLAR SOCIAL WORK DEPT
182 GROENDYKES ROAD

Administration of Children's Homes Regulations 1959, Boarding out of Children (Scotland) Regs. 1959,

Surname CROSS		Home Address 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN		Date of Birth 22.5.62	
Forenames ANGELA		Present Address (if different) HAWTHORNBRAE CHILDRENS HOME		Sex F	
Next of Kin (if applicable)		Name and Address MR CROSS 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN			
1. Immunisation Record		First Medical		Additions since last examined	
Polio Vaccination	1.	2.	3.		
Triple Antigen	1.	2.	3.		
Whooping Cough	1.	2.	3.		
Diphtheria/Tetanus	1.	2.	3.		
Rubella	1.	Has the child had the appropriate immunisation for his/her age?			
Measles	1.				
B.C.G.	1.				
				YES ☒	
				NO ☐	
2. History of illness, infections or injuries.		Since Birth		Since last seen	
nil.					
3. The condition of: (please elaborate in Section 10 if necessary)					
Eyes/Sight	awaiting new spectacles.				
Ears/Hearing	nil				
Throat	red, h-r colour				
Tonsils	nil				
Teeth and Gums	nil				
*Skin and Scalp	nil				
*Please indicate presence and extent of bruising, vermin etc. and any need for treatment					
4. Evidence of abnormality in the following systems (comment in Section 10 if necessary)					
Cardiovascular	nil				
Respiratory	nil				
Alimentary	nil				
Central Nervous	nil				
Genito-urinary	nil				
Other	nil				
5. State of Nutrition					
Good.					

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LOTHIAN HEALTH BOARD
COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE—SCHOOL HEALTH

Medical Inspection of Pupils
(excluding five-year-old and Nursery School Pupils)

CASTLEBRAE HIGH SCHOOL

..... School

To the Parent or Guardian of:—

..... *Angela Cross*

Your child has reached an age when we like to review the health of all pupils attending local authority schools. To do this, and to meet the requirements of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1972, Section 6, in which the duty is placed on the Secretary of State to provide for Medical Examination, at appropriate intervals, of all pupils in attendance at any school under the management of the Education Authority, the School Medical Officer will examine

F.M.H. 30 Apr 1979 in school on at o'clock. It is very much hoped that you will be able to be present.

It will be of help to the school doctor if you will supply the answers to the questions overleaf and return this notice to the school before the examination, or bring it with you (duly completed beforehand) if you are able to attend. Your answers will be treated as confidential.

Your attention is also directed to the consent forms enclosed concerning protective vaccinations which are available in school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

School Medical Officer

(To be filed on completion in child's medical record card in school)

IMPORTANT

Please turn over:—

TL6W T M M LTD

PAY DATE 21/10/83

MISS A CROSS

COST CODE 00001

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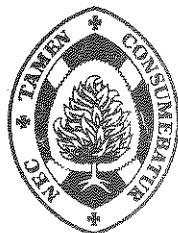
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THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

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Director of Social Work:
Rev. Frank S. Gibson,
B.L., B.D., S.T.M., D.S.W.A.



Angie:

I have had quite a lot of contact with Angie and have found her to be a impulsive, warm-hearted person. Angie likes to put on an aggressive act and is always threatening to "bang" someone but that is all it really is - an act.

She does not like being criticised and is quick to take offence - to the point of feeling slighted even if the person concerned did not mean to slight her.

At times she seems quite keen to find a job but I think she is quite influenced by Rosar who isn't keen. I think if Angie got a job she would try hard at it so I hope she is fortunate in the future.

I don't think Angie eats very well at meal-times. When she has any money she buys an excessive amount of sweets and eats the lot and then ships her meat. Christine McCrystal

Copy sent to Mr Duncan on 6/9/83

DEMISSIONS:

Name(s) of Children Angella Cross.

Demitted to care of Mr + Mrs Cross

Address: 71 Linwood Drive
Drumchapel G.15

(please give precise details stating which parent,
guardian or Local Authority child has been discharged to).

Date of Demission: 5th September 1983

Reason for Demission Supervision Terminated
decided to live with father.

Child or children's file(s) enclosed / to follow.

NUMBER NOW IN HOME:

PLACES VACANT:

_____ Boys

_____ Boys

_____ Girls

_____ Girls

Date 6th Sept 1983

Signature Anne E Buncel.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: ANGELOA ISOBEL CROSS
Address: 511 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN EDINBURGH
Date of Birth: 22.5.67 National Health No:

Admission:

Date: 17.3.82

Reason: BREAK DOWN IN FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Reviews: 17.11.82 18.8.83 16.12.83
28.11.83 18.10.83

Name & Address
of Social Worker: MIRIAM VICKERS CRAIGMILLAR
SOCIAL WORK DEPT Tel: 669 1257

Demission:

Date: 5th SEPTEMBER 1983

Reason: RETURNING TO LIVE WITH FATHER + STEPMOTHER

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name & Address
of Next of Kin: MR CROSS 71 LINKWOOD DRIVE
DRUMCHPEL GLASGOW Tel:

Person to be
contacted in
emergency:

General Practitioner: DR K O'NEIL 25 DUNHAM ROAD
Tel: 669 1153

Minister: MR RAMSAY THE MARQUESS
DUNDEE Tel: 661 4240

Supplementing Authority: Lothian Region

NAME ..ANGELLA.....

	Looking For A JOB	GETTING A FLAT	RELATIONSHIP WITH FAMILY/FRIENDS	RELATIONSHIP WITH RESIDENTS	
Assessment of functioning					
What is the problem?	THERE ARE NOT TO MANY JOBS AVAILABLE	NOT YET ABLE TO DO EVERYTHING PROPERLY		DO NOT GET ON WITH EVERYONE ESPECIALLY YOUNGER CHILDRN	
What change is looked for?	MORE JOBS TO BE AVAILABLE FOR 16 Yr	MORE ABLE TO PLAN MENU'S BUT PROPER FOOD DO CLEANING AND WASHING PROPERLY		I WILL TRY AND UNDERSTAND THEM AND GIVE THEM THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT	
What will staff do ?	HELP ME LOOK IN PAPERS, GO TO THE JOBS CENTRE WITH ME ENCOURAGE ME WITH WRITING LETTERS ETC	HELP ME TO HANDLE MYSELF MORE INDEPENDENT CLEAN PROPERLY EAT SENSIBLY.		TELL ME WHEN I AM PICKING ON SOMEONE YOUNGER SO I WILL BE ABLE TO THINK IN FUTURE	
What will resident do?	PHONE WRITE AND GO FOR INTERVIEWS.	PLAN COOK SHOW THAT I AM CAPABLE OF DOING ALL THESE THINGS		TRY AND HAVE MORE PATIENCE	
What will others do ?	HELP AND ENCOURAGE ME I				
How will this happen?	BY LOOKING IN PAPERS ETC	PLAN MENU'S DO WORK PROA KEEP MYSELF WASHING CLEAN		I WILL THINK BEFORE I SPEAK.	
How long will this take ?		UP UNTIL JULY		UP UNTIL JULY	
Priority Rating?					

CHILDREN'S HOMES - ADMISSIONS AND DEMISSIONS

NOTIFICATION FOR OFFICE RECORDS

Name of Home

HAWTHORN BEE

ADMISSIONS

Name(s) of Children _____ Date(s) of Birth _____

Admission arranged by _____
(please name member of field staff)

Date of Admission _____

Local Authority (if applicable) _____

DEMISSIONS

Name(s) of Children ANGELA CROSS

Demitted to care of LOTHIAN REGION

Address _____

(please give precise details stating which parent,
guardian or Local Authority child has been discharged to)

Date of Demission 5TH January 1984

Reason for Demission NO LONGER TO USE OF

ESTABLISHMENT

Child or children's file(s) _____ enclosed / to follow.

NUMBER NOW IN HOME:

4 Boys

7 Girls

PLACES VACANT:

_____ Boys

1 Girls

Date

5/1/84

Signature

Anne S. Baird

DISCHARGE OF
ANGELLA CROSS. D.O.B. 22.5.67.

Angie arrived at 10.15am, and waited until 11am until Miriam Vickers SJW arrived.

She did not wish or try to enter into any conversation concerning her belongings.

Miriam arrived, and I handed over the boxes of items which were:-

1. Clothes left
2. Records. / Posters / Toilettries
3. All correspondence in bedroom.
including Y.O.P. work she completed.
4. Her Deposit Account and various letters kept in file.

Angie chose not to inspect them, so I went through them with Miriam, and made it clear. If Angie calls requesting articles at a later date there will be no acceptance of this unless these have been already found by staff.

Angie left, I wished her luck, and told her to look after herself, left in the car to go with Miriam to Craigmiles office.

Mail to be forwarded to Rosan Hawkins address in Greendykes.

A.S. Durel
O.I.C.



Director - Roger Kent

Craigmillar Area Office,
182 Greendykes Road,
Edinburgh EH16 4EQ

Telephone 031-669 1257

Our Ref. CRMCK/MM

Your Ref.

Date 21 December 1983

Miss Angela Cross
Hawthornbrae Children's Home
46 The Causeway
Edinburgh 15

Dear Angie,

I am writing to you about the outcome of the meeting last Friday, which unfortunately you chose not to attend.

First of all, I would like to remind you about the meeting we had on 18 October, about a month after your return to Hawthornbrae.

At that time we agreed that a place would be available to you in the Training Flat at Hawthornbrae until your seventeenth birthday, next May; that we would have a further meeting around the end of January 1984 to ensure that you were trying to find out about the kinds of accommodation that might be open to you; that in accordance with your status as an adult, you would be expected to let staff know if you intended to be out overnight; would keep the flatlet clean and tidy; and would co-operate with staff and other residents. Basically, we were operating under a voluntary agreement with you, where you were clear about what was expected of you by the other people involved in your care.

The general feeling at the moment is that you are not making good use of the opportunities offered to you, and that you are using Hawthornbrae virtually as a bed and breakfast establishment. This means that someone else is being deprived of the opportunity to use the flatlet, who might be able to benefit more from this experience.

As I have stated before, the people involved with you - staff at Hawthornbrae and Miriam can only work with your voluntary co-operation and clearly this is not evident at the present time.

The meeting on Friday therefore decided that your placement at Hawthornbrae is no longer appropriate, and this will not be available to you after Thursday 5 January 1984.

This, of course, leaves the problem of where you will be able to find accommodation after that date, and Miriam will offer you assistance in this respect, although I am not prepared to guarantee that we will be able to find exactly what you might think to be ideal accommodation.

I regret that I am having to convey this information to you in writing, but this is because you felt unable to attend the meeting on Friday. Nevertheless,

/.....
If telephoning please ask for

/Nevertheless, it is important that your point of view be heard, and if you wish to speak further to me about your circumstances and the content of this letter please phone me, and we can arrange a suitable time to meet.

Hoping to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Ron McKenzie.

Ron McKenzie
Senior Social Worker

EMERGENCY REVIEW CALLED
ON 16TH DECEMBER 1983.

PRESENT:- A. BUNCH O.I.C.
C. DEANS. S.W.S.
R. MCKENZIE S.S.W.
M. VICKERS. S/W.
ANGELLA, DID NOT TURN UP.

It had been noted since Angie's readmission in Sept, all had gone well for 4 wks, then Angie's old style was re-emerging.

Her mis use of the training flat, plus time spent within the house was minimal.

Losing her job through stealing money + items from shop, her inappropriate use of staff and not cooking meals, or using money for food, unable to provide receipts for items bought, withdrawal of money resulted in her not eating.

Angie's fantasy that meetings are always being held but nothing ever is done.

All pointers show, she is telling us, she feels she has outgrown the place, but moving has to be completely on her terms.

It was unanimous that Angie should move from Hawthornbrae on 5th Jan 1984, whether accommodation was found or not.

Nadine Marshall house to be approached.

A. E. Bunch
O.I.C.

Departmental Review Report for Cingella Cross
d.o.b. 22-5-6
c/o Hawthornbale
Children's Home

This review has been called in response to 3 issues that have arisen in Angella's continuing residence at Hawthornbale:

- 1) Angella not using Hawthornbale as a place to learn basic skills in looking after herself and her own room
- 2) Angella being fired from her job at Flour Power due to theft of money and articles
- 3) Angella attempting to spend as much time as possible outwith Hawthornbale

1) BASIC SKILLS

When Angella first returned to Hawthornbale, the purpose of her readmission was agreed to be to prepare her for independence. Angella got herself a Y.T.S. job at Flourpower and was quite keen to begin with. Naturally, she returned to Hawthornbale very tired & some allowances were made on the housekeeping angle. Angella soon, however, began reading Roseam and spent less and less time at Hawthornbale - it became clear that

Angella had no wish to learn basic skills in looking after herself and my contact with her was disconcerting in that Angella seemed to find it impossible to discuss what she was doing on an adult level. Her relationship with staff at Hawthornbree was deteriorating and Angella again seemed to be saying that she was not prepared to allow them to help her.

2) Angella had missed some days from work and stayed with Roelam - in fact Angella changed from working at Munthaway on Queensferry Rd. to Flair Power at the top of Leith Walk. She seemed to be getting on quite well apart from the few days off. Angella came home from work last week and said that she had lost her job due to a Camrynella friend stealing in the shop. Ann Bunch contacted Mr. Pringle Angella's supervisor & Mr. Pringle informed that Angella had been stealing £5 chocolate Santas and had rung up £6.00 on the cash register and kept money handed to her by customers. She was fired for this and Mr. Pringle said she showed no emotion or remorse and asked whether she would get a reference.

3) Over the last 6 weeks or so Angella has spent so much time away from

Hawthornes that it is felt she is using the place like a Bed & Breakfast. She has also been verbally aggressive with staff when challenged.

It is my feeling that Angella ^{has} ~~to~~ according to the terms of her readmission to Hawthornes, abused her agreement with fulltime and residential staff and that she should ~~find~~ ^{be} living in a place other than Hawthornes. I have contacted Jack Fasse and have info. to hand about possible accommodation. If, however, Angella does not get accepted in January for Departmental or other accommodation she will have to begin looking for alternative accommodation.

Miriam C. Tickers
16th December 1983

Review on 18th October at
6pm.
at Hawthornbrae.

Decisions taken were as follows :-

1. Angela to remain here meantime.
2. Angela to be under a Section 24 (in-care voluntarily as an adult).
3. To look at alternative ~~dates~~ places for future accommodation.
4. A set date of May 1984 for a move to some sort of accommodation.

A. E. Bunch.
O.I.C.

Attended by:- Ron McKenzie S.S.W.
Miviam Vickers S.W.
Anne Bunch O.I.C.
+ Key Worker.
Angela Cross - Subject.

NAME — ANGELA CROSS.

D.O.B — 22.5.67

D.O.A — 21.9.83.

PLACEMENT — HAWTHORN/BRAE

Since Angie's re-admission on 21.9.83, there have been relatively few problems.

She has found herself a job (Y.F.B) at a branch of Munchaway's — 'Flour Power' a 'take-away' and attends college every Thursday.

Angie rises at 6am, and is often not home until 6.15pm with the exception to College days.

It's a long day, and we recognise that she is often tired, Angie deserves a great deal of praise for her efforts, and I sincerely hope that the enthusiasm + enjoyment of the job lasts.

Although on re-admission Angie was told very clearly what would be expected of her and under no illusion what the alternative is, and Angie knows, not having particularly enjoyed her 'Bed + Breakfast'.

Since then Angie has been able to come to terms ^{with} that she is going to have to make a life for herself, and that the fantasy of living with Dad, is well + truly gone, and knows it could never have / never will work out.

Angie's associations with her Craig millar friends has for the time being been non-existent + tends to socialise in the Meadowfield area, although she is always back on time and as yet, to date, has never been late.

Angie hopes to receive £25 wages and we would then deduct nothing, but Angie would.

(2).

be responsible for Clothing, Pocket Money, Bus Fares, and extra's e.g. toiletries, + savings.

We would provide £10 for food during the week.

She is back into the training flat, and coping not so badly, although I don't see a lot of cooking being done, one reason perhaps is too tired in the evening, and preferring to have a snack.

I believe Angie is enjoying life more now, than before, she has limits + guidelines + alternatives, and this appears to be what Angie responds to.

A. E. Bunch.

Officer-in-Charge

Craigmillar Area Office
182 Greendykes Road
EDINBURGH EH16 4EQ

Telephone: 031 669 9121

Our ref:

Your ref:

Date:

Name:

Ext. No:

Angella Cross

Notes of Review on 18 August 1983 at Hawthornbrae Childrens Home

In general terms, discussion was about ways in which Angie's adult status could be reinforced, and about stating the expectations and limits of her behaviour which would be acceptable to Hawthornbrae.

Specifically, the following points were agreed:

1. Angie is to inform when she is going to be out overnight, and give the address where she will stay, and the time she will return.
2. A Childrens Hearing is to be called with the intention of terminating the Supervision Requirement to which Angie is subject.
3. A programme is to be organised for Angie within Hawthornbrae whilst she is unemployed e.g. getting-up-time in the morning, involvement with staff in budgeting, making up menus etc.
4. Angie is to continue to use the bed-sit.
5. Miriam is to check the financial position, following a recent change in board and lodging arrangements.
6. Angie and Miriam to explore the provisions available for independent/semi independent living through the Task Force on Supported Accommodation i.e. Shared flat
Supported landladies scheme
Bed sits
Nomination rights schemes

Ru McKenzie

Ron McKenzie
Senior Social Worker

1. Angie. to remain at Hawthornbrae, and prepare to move into Flat type accomodation.
2. Sign on D.H.SS. - £31.60 for 2 weeks.

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 11.60. \\
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 31.60 \\
 23.20 \\
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 8.40.
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 = £7.$$

= £8.40 for 2 wks P/money.

3. Open Bank Account.
4. Sign on Mondays + visit Job Centre.
Wednesday + Friday mornings.
Tel Mr Brown.
5. Write letters. — look at papers.
6. (1.50-2pm.)

CONTRACT FOR ANGELLA CROSS DRAWN UP ON
21st Sept 1983.

I Angella Cross agree to keep to the following
rules set out below.

To be in at 11 pm at nights except Saturday
which will be 12 midnight.

To be up and dressed by 9 am.

To go to the job centre ~~at least twice a week~~
on Mon - Wed - Fri mornings. To write letters and
look for employment.

To give staff £11.60. per week for clothes. from Gmo.
£23.20 per fortnight.

Signed ANGIE CROSS

Signed 



**THE CHURCH
OF SCOTLAND**
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Director of Social Work:
Rev. Frank S. Gibson,
B.L., B.D., S.T.M., D.S.W.A.

Please quote:

10th September, 1983.

Dear Mrs Cross,

Please find enclosed, Angela's Medical

Forms to be filled in, and as the letter states

returned to the Social Work Dept, by your own

Dr.

I have also enclosed Angela's personal

items. I hope everything is still going well.

Best Wishes

Anne S. Bunch.

Officer-in-Charge

P.S. plus Medical Card.



Lothian Region Reporter
A. F. Finlayson,
1/3 Howden Street, Edinburgh EH8 9HH
Telephone: 031-667 9431

Our reference JS/AML

Your reference

Date 7 September 1983

Miss Bunch
Officer In Charge
Hawthornbrae Children's Home
46 The Causeway
EDINBURGH

Dear Miss Bunch

ANGELA CROSS, (22 5 67)

I write on behalf of Panel Members to thank you for attending Angela's Hearing on 5 September 1983. It is confirmed that Angela's supervision requirement has been terminated, thus allowing her to live with her father in Glasgow.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JS' or 'JA'.

John Stark
Assistant Reporter - Edinburgh East

If telephoning please ask for

All communications to be addressed to the Reporter

CHILDREN'S HEARING ON 5TH SEPT 1983

AT bpm. (called by Angela on 22/8/83).

ATTENDED :- Mr + Mrs Cross, Angella Cross,
David Cumming (Area Officer S.W.D). A. BUNCH.

Decision :- That Supervision be terminated
completely, and Angie reside with
Mr + Mrs Cross in Drumchapel, Glasgow.

No bed to be kept in event of a
placement breakdown.

Discharge Medical responsibility of
Mrs Cross, then submit appropriate
forms to us.

I will post medical card + Angela's
personal items to her.

Property taken by Angie, belonging to M.A. Reid

1 tape Recorder +
1 Record Player were returned
without batteries or batteries
needing replaced.

Mrs Cross claimed responsibility of
putting these items into Angie's
case, by mistake.

Although this does not appear to
confirm Maggie's story.

Anne E. Daniel.

O.I.C.



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Telephone 031-667 9431

Officer In Charge
Hawthornbrae Children's Home
46 The Causeway
Edinburgh

Our reference AJN/VS

Your reference

Date 23rd August 1983

Dear Sir/Madam

ANGELA CROSS (22.5.67)

I write to advise that arrangements have been made for a Hearing for
Angela Cross to be held on Monday 5th September 1983 at 6.00 p.m.

If the date or time is inconvenient please advise as soon as possible
so that other arrangements may be considered. A progress report would
be appreciated, if possible a week ahead of the Hearing, for prior
circulation to the Hearing members.

The Hearing looks forward to welcoming a member of staff at the Hearing.

Formal notification is enclosed.

Yours sincerely

AJ Newman

ALISON J NEWMAN (MRS)
Divisional Reporter - Edinburgh East

Enc

P.S. I expect you will know Angela requested this
hearing herself, by 'phone, on 22/8. She told
me she wishes to go to live with father at
71 Lunkwood Road, Drumchapel, Glasgow. AJN

If telephoning please ask for
All communications to be addressed to the Reporter

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

To Angela Cross
c/o Hawthornbrae Children's Home
46 The Causeway
Edinburgh

You have been referred to a children's hearing for the Lothian Region

to review at the request of the child under Section 48(4) of the Social Work
(Scotland) Act 1968 Supervision Requirement dated 10.1.83

You are required in terms of section 40(1) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to attend
the hearing

on (date) Monday 5th September 1983

at (time) 6.00 p.m.

at (place) Children's Hearing Centre, 1-3 Howden Street, Edinburgh

Please read the Notes set out below

23rd August 1983

AJ Newman
Reporter

ALISON J NEWMAN (MRS) DIVISIONAL

NOTES

A children's hearing is a group of three people specially selected for their interest and concern in understanding and helping children who are in trouble. They meet to discuss with a child and his parents any difficulties that may have arisen, to discover the reasons for these difficulties and to find an answer which is in the best interests of the child. In some cases this may involve compulsory supervision or even removal from home. Further information on the hearing is set out in the leaflet entitled 'To tell you about the Children's Hearing' a copy of which accompanies this notification. When the children's hearing are discussing your case, they will want to find out your views and you may, if you wish, bring with you to the hearing someone to help you in discussing your difficulties and what might be done. The personal expenses of this representative (but not any fees) may be refunded if they are not less than fifteen pence (15p). Your own personal expenses (but not any loss of earnings) in coming to the hearing may be refunded if those expenses, together with any expenses of your parent(s) in coming to the hearing are not less than fifteen pence (15p). **If you do not attend the hearing, steps may be taken, including possibly your detention, to make sure that you do appear before a hearing. If there is a very good reason, such as illness, why you will be unable to attend the hearing, you should contact the reporter at:**

CHILDREN'S HEARINGS CENTRE
1-3 Howden Street
Edinburgh
EH8 9HH
(Tel 031 667 9431)

76 High Street
Bonnyrigg
EH19 2AE
(Tel 663 8594)

5/9 Edinburgh Road
Bathgate
EH48 1BA
(Tel Bathgate 632741)

Edinburgh Division

Child in Care Review Report (CCRI)

TO: AREA OFFICE/ESTABLISHMENT
AREA OFFICER/OFFICER-IN-CHARGE

Angela Cross		22.5.67
Placement	Children's Home	Officer in Charge
Social Worker	Miriam Vickers	Area 3
Review Date	18.8.83	Place Hawthornbrae

The report should include the following:-

- Changes and developments since the last review, including dates of visits by Social Worker.
Contact with family.
Date of last medical and child's health.
Date of last school report and progress at school.
Date of placement at present address.
- Present situation.
- Future Plans. (including: Should a request be made for an earlier review hearing?
Should parental rights be assumed?)

Report

This review has been called to discuss what plans are appropriate for Angela's future. It was called in response to particular concerns about Angela's behaviour at Hawthornbrae. At preliminary discussions for this review, Residential Staff and I felt that a contract needed to be drawn up for Angela so that she knows what is expected of her. I stated that I did not think that a contract should be used as a 'last chance' mechanism, but that it was important to establish give and take guide lines. A particular area of discussion was to be whether Angela should remain in the bedsit.

The last review was held in end April when we discussed what would be happening for Angela, given that she was leaving school in the near future. We all agreed that Angela's own main concerns were getting a job, which she was very anxious about and going into a flat. Angela did not in fact attend the review because she was embarrassed about a bad report on a first work experience placement in a blind school, although offering a different explanation. Generally speaking, all concerned felt that Angela had been much more settled at Hawthornbrae and able to use staff appropriately between November 1982 and April 1983. Angela showed a very adult like attitude towards trying to obtain employment. On a number of occasions Angela and I discussed the fact that she would need to prove that she was mature and responsible if she wanted to go into a supported flat. She often found it easier to place responsibility for going into a flat on me and staff at Hawthornbrae. Angela also showed signs of worry about perhaps leaving Hawthornbrae and found it difficult to cope with feelings of dependency on Hawthornbrae. The main decisions taken at that review were that Angela should go into a flat by the end of the year - as preparation for this she would go back to the independence programme and go into the bedsit as soon as it was ready.

Angela's renewed independence programme worked well for a time. She began having contact with her father and brothers again. She did however become quite dispirited with job hunting due to her lack of success. Things started to deteriorate after Mrs Maxwell left Hawthornbrae. Angela's choice of boyfriend caused concern because he physically abused her and she bragged about this. Given that this is normally a sign of a lack of self esteem this is quite worrying.

Angela began staying out late and over-night and combined this with a general stroping. It was pointing out rather forcefully that she could end up having to get herself bed and breakfast if she did not pull in her horns. Soon after this she was

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It was felt by all that Angela's choice of boyfriend was worrying because he was continuing to abuse her. Angela seemed enthralled in this relationship and was talking about using birth control pills. Things came to a head in the beginning of August due to extremely rebellious and angry behaviour on the part of Angie where staff were expressing concern about how she treats kids in Hawthornbrae. Subsequent discussion with her again resulted in somewhat improved behaviour. However, over the weekend Angela 'was disappointed in love' and as a result took a serious overdose of another girls pain killers for period pains which resulted in over night admission to Ward 3 and getting her stomach pumped. Recently Angela has chosen not to see me on two occasions because she does not want a lecture on the error of her ways.

- (1) Termination of Supervision Requirement.
- (2) What Angela must do if she is to continue with her independence programme. at Hawthornbrae.
- (3) What Hawthornbrae see as their role and how Angie feels about this.
- (4) Date for further review to discuss whether or not Angela is using the Bed Sit appropriately.
- (5) Clarify to Angela her financial responsibility to Hawthornbae as of 5th September 1983.
- (6) Discuss possible ^{of} effective work on Angela.
- (7) Discuss issue of contraception.
- (8) Discuss with Task Force about time scale and conditions for going into Supported Accommodation.
- (9) Discuss where Angela see her family fitting into her life
- (10) Discuss role with Family Care Volunteers, Susan Bell

Signature: Miriam C. Kieker
Residential/Social Worker

Signature: _____
Senior Social Worker/O. in C.

Please indicate the people who should be invited to the review.

Name	Designation	Address
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PORTOBELLO HIGH SCHOOL

Report Form for 3rd to 6th Year.

Session: 1982/83

Report No: 1

Year and House Group: S4 Ag2

Report on:

Name: ANGELA CROSS

Subject	Level of Study	Attainment	Effort	Co-operation	Presentation of Work
English	CSE	D	c	c	b
Arithmetic	CSE	E	b	b	b
Mathematics					
Geography/History/Modern Studies					
Art	SCE O	D	b	b	b
Office Work	CSE	E	b	b	c

Attendance to 4/3/1983

Possible 254

Absences 11

Punctuality Very good.

House Report:

Angela is maintaining the standards expected for her on the Leavers course. Extra effort is needed in English.

Signature of Housemaster/Housemistress: B. Marshall

Signature of Parent/Guardian: Mary A Knox

Level of Study	Effort	Co-operation	Presentation of Work
SCE'O'—Scottish Certificate of Education—Ordinary Grade	a—Tries very hard	a—Always relates well to Teacher and other pupils	a—Work very well presented
CSE—Certificate of Secondary Education	b—Tries hard		b—Work well presented
SBC—School Based Course	c—Effort varies	b—Usually relates well to Teacher and other pupils	c—Presentation varies
Rem—Remedial Group	d—Makes little effort—must try harder	c—Relationships vary	d—Work poorly presented—must take more care
SCE H—Scottish Certificate of Education—Higher Grade		d—Poor relationships—must learn to co-operate	
CSYS—Certificate of Sixth Year Studies			

Attainment

SCE—O & H and CSYS
A=Probable result in SCE examination

B= " " " "

C= " " " "

*D= " " " "

*E= " " " " (E or no award)

*On the Higher certificate D and E do not appear, D on report=possible Compensatory 'O' award.

CSE—Grades A to E as for SCE but on certificate 1 to 5.

SBC—In each School Based Course grades A, B, C and D are allocated to equal numbers of pupils.

Rem.—Gradings A, B, C.

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of your knowledge of the child, and return
to:

Mrs M Vickers,
Social Worker,
Craigmillar Area Office,
182 Greendykes Road,
Edinburgh

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25 APR 1983

SCHOOL REPORT FOR CHILD IN CARE

Name of Child

ANGELA CROSS

Name of School

PORTOBELLO HIGH

Address

Hawthornbrae Children's Home,
46 The Causeway,
Edinburgh EH15 3PZ

Class

S4.

Date of Admission

11.10.82.

Class Teacher

Group Tutor Mrs. Sangster.

Date of Birth

22.5.67

Previous School(s)

Inverness Royal Academy.
Castlebrae High School.

Guidance Teacher

B Marshall

ATTENDANCE RECORD

Last 4 weeks

36 38

Actual Possible

This term

16 18

Actual Possible

During last 12 months

(or since last report)

205 218

since 11.10.82. Actual Possible

Please also indicate any reasons for absence: e.g. illness, or absence without reasonable cause (if possible, with number of absences) and any pattern of absence, latecoming or the involvement of the Attendance Department.

Angela's attendance has been very good since she enrolled in October. Her two recent absences were the afternoon of 15th April (truancy) and 19th April (job interviews).

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Angela was selected to take part in the school's specially designed course for May leavers. Miss Reid, the Assistant Head Teacher in charge of the course, has been very pleased with her response. She has related well to the other pupils and to members of staff. We are delighted with her progress in school.

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BEHAVIOUR AND SPECIAL INTERESTS

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Angela's behaviour is on the whole, very good. There was an incident in a maths class for which Angela was given detention. She was very hostile and since then there have been no further incidents. Angela does not take part in extra-curricular activities but was a great help at a fumble sale in aid of Dames House.

Please indicate contact from the child's carers and attitude to the school, and any significant circumstances which teachers feel should be brought to the attention of the reader of the report.

We have always had good contact with Hawthornbrae Children's Home and excellent support and co-operation.

TEACHERS' OBSERVATIONS

If completed by more than one member of staff, please indicate which member of staff has furnished the information e.g. Head Teacher, Guidance Teacher, Class Teacher.

Angela has settled in this school very well, in fact, remarkably well, considering how late she arrived. After a few 'hiccups' at the beginning she has co-operated extremely well and worked hard, thus justifying her placement on the Leavers course.

She is polite, well spoken and her appearance is neat and attractive. She has shown some initiative in arranging job interviews for herself, and deserves to be congratulated.

I shall/~~shall~~ be present

B. Marshall (Housemistress)

Signature

J.H. Povey

Head Teacher

Date 22/4/83.



Highland

Department of Social Work
T. Paterson
Divisional Social Work Officer
Inverness Division

Highland Regional Council
13 Ardross Street
Inverness IV3 5NX

Telephone (0463) 34121

Please ask for Miss Lachlan

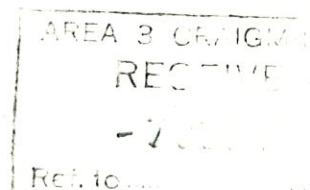
Our ref ML/HGM

Extension No 792

Your ref

Date 5 July 1982

Ms Evelyn Snaddon
Social Worker
Lothian Regional Council
Craigmillar Area Office
182 Greendykes Road
EDINBURGH
EH16 4EQ



Dear Evelyn

RE: ANGELA CROSS HAWTHORNBRAE CHILDREN'S HOME

Following your letter and telephone calls I have at different times discussed the situation with Brenda Crane, previous social worker, Barry Richards, Senior Social Worker, Mrs MacDonald, her daughter Flo and Angela's mother Pearl.

The proposal that Angela be placed with Mrs MacDonald raises problems in that for the past 3 years Angela has managed to avoid facing her problems by engineering a move. A move then from Edinburgh to Inverness may just further confirm this as her way of functioning and we could further speculate that when problems arise here she will want yet another move - but where to?

Mrs MacDonald and Mrs Cross both quite firmly lay blame for the recent placement breakdown with Mr Cross and his cohabitee. They exonerate Angela from any responsibility and in this I feel they are being unrealistic. Mrs Cross asked her mother to provide a home for Angela and Mrs MacDonald is ready to do so. Her view is that Angela needs to be with family and that she will be able to provide firm guidance which Angela will respond to. She sees warnings of potential difficult behaviour as being unduly pessimistic and I'm afraid I view her optimism as unrealistic.

Mrs Cross is unable to provide a home for Angela and this situation will not change in the near future. She would be giving her mother full discretion as to caring for Angela and would not be interfering. In addition Mrs MacDonald and her other daughter confirm that this would be the case. Mrs Cross would, however, be welcome to visit, providing she was sober. Despite assurances to the contrary this type of arrangement would give lots of room for manipulation should Angela need to exploit the situation.

I would therefore be very hesitant at this stage about foreseeing a successful placement of Angela with her grandmother.

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Further problems arise with the proposal of a holiday. It would seem to be cruel in the extreme to deprive Angela of this contact with relatives. I have no doubt that Angela would be able to make a success of such a holiday and then would begin the push to return and perhaps the fulfilling of the previous prophecies. On the other hand to deny her the holiday could lead to further disruptive behaviour in Edinburgh and then the consideration of Granny as a placement.

Whichever way we move I feel we run the risk of a further placement which may break down. In these circumstances I would very much want to move a step at a time to retain as much control of the situation as possible. If we allow Angela a 3 week supervised holiday with Gran we will hopefully retain her goodwill and some measure of trust. I would hope this would be arranged on the clear understanding that she must return to Edinburgh and we will then look at the situation again as far as a further placement is concerned.

Yours sincerely



Margaret Lachlan
Social Worker

Present:- M. Maxwell and M Whitelaw of Hawthornbrae; L McColl, guidance teacher at Castlebrae; E Snaddon and M Vickers Social Workers in Area 3 team; R McKenzie and I Lennox Senior Social Workers in Area 3 team.

Apologies:- C Dean Social Worker at Hawthornbrae.

1. It was explained that M Vickers would be taking over responsibility for the case from E Snaddon. Angella knows M Vickers from the group-work project and she has been prepared for the change.
2. Angella has found it difficult to settle at Hawthornbrae. She has absconded twice and recently she had to be removed to Calder Grove for two days after she had attacked another girl.
3. The school report is good although there has been some truancy.
4. Angella's grandmother has contacted the department and suggested that Angella might go to live with her in Inverness. The local Social Work Department has been contacted and ask to investigate the feasibility of a holiday with grandmother during the summer holiday. Angella seems to to be very much in favour of this.
5. Mr Cross's co-habitee is at present on holiday with relatives in Germany. There was some hint that she might not come back. There was some discussion as to whether Mr Cross would then want Angella to go back to live with him.
6. Angella has been part of a group work project, run by E Snaddon and M Vickers. It was felt that she had made some progress in the group but that she could be moody.
7. Decisions. (a) It is planned to have Angella at Hawthornbrae on a long term basis and to set-up an independence programme which could lead to the bed-sit attached to the home. (b) The possibility of holidays with the grandmother will be pursued. (c) It was thought that the use of a community care might be considered if/when it was clear that Angella would be remaining in care.


Ian Lennox
SENIOR SOCIAL WORKER

**Record of Decisions Taken at Review
of Child in Care.(CCR2)**

Review Date	29.6.82	Place	Hawthornebrae
Child's Name	Angela Cross		Date of Birth
Placement	Children's Home		

Action to be taken before next Review	Person Responsible
- Check with Inverness Social Work Department re - holiday with grandmother	Child's Social Worker E Snaddon Liaison Social Worker Senior Social Worker Ian Lennox Houseparent/Foster Parent
If any other Section of the Department or Organisation is to be advised, indicate task requiring action and person responsible, including action related to "Time Limits".	Other

Long Term Plan

Angela to stay on at Hawthornebrae and an independence programme to be set-up.

Date	2.7.82	Signature of Chairperson	<i>[Signature]</i>	Date of Next Review	late summer	Time
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Participants	Designation	Tick if Copy ccr2 to be sent	Date Sent	Administrative Use	Date
M Maxwell	Head of Home	X			
M Whitelaw	Deputy				
L McCall	Teacher				
M Vickers	Social Worker				
E Snaddon	Social Worker	X			
R McKenzie	Senior Social Worker	X			
I Lennox	Senior Social Worker				

Edinburgh Division

Child in Care Review Report (CCRI)

TO: AREA OFFICE/ESTABLISHMENT
AREA OFFICER/OFFICER-IN-CHARGE

Child's Name Angela Cross		Date of Birth 22.5.67
Placement Hawthornbrae		Officer in Charge
Social Worker Miss E Snaddon		Area 3
Review Date 29.6.82	Place Hawthornbrae Children's Home	

The report should include the following:-

- a) Changes and developments since the last review, including dates of visits by Social Worker.
Contact with family.
Date of last medical and child's health.
Date of last school report and progress at school.
Date of placement at present address.
- b) Present situation.
- c) Future Plans. (including: Should a request be made for an earlier review hearing?
Should parental rights be assumed?)

Report

- (a) Angela was transferred to Hawthornbrae on 15th March on Section 44(1)(b) following a Hearing on that day. Prior to this she had been resident at Canaan Lodge.

While resident at Canaan, Angela had very little contact with her family. However, the situation changed somewhat when she moved to Hawthornbrae. Angela visited her family regularly at weekends and, on a couple of occasions stayed overnight. Her father and his co-habitee, Sheila, had little contact with Hawthornbrae. Since the incidents during the Easter Holidays when Angela was staying out late and ran away from Hawthornbrae, she has had less contact with her family: this seems to be due to the deterioration in her relationship with Sheila. Angela sees her brothers daily, when she gets them up to School in the morning.

Angela states she regularly phones her grandmother in Inverness at the weekend. She has also written to her mother but hasn't had any reply from her for several weeks. Angela is an insecure girl who is quite desperate for someone in her family to show they care for her: at present she seems to have set her mind on having contact with her relatives in Inverness over the Summer period.

- (b) Angela seems to be quite settled at Hawthornbrae at present. She spends quite a lot of time visiting her school friends and has recently acquired a boyfriend who is resident at Canaan Lodge. She is anxious to have contact with relatives in Inverness. Her mother phoned to advise that Angela's grandmother, Mrs MacDonald, would like to offer her a permanent home - Mrs MacDonald has confirmed this. We are presently looking into this and have asked Inverness Social Work Department to assess the situation on our behalf.

- (c) We are considering the possibility of Angela having a holiday over the Summer with her grandmother in Inverness. Angela is quite keen for this to occur and would like to stay with her grandmother on a permanent basis.

Presently we are awaiting a more fuller assessment of the viability of Angela having a holiday and perhaps staying with grandmother on a more permanent basis.

E Snaddon
Social Worker

LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL
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Edinburgh

SCHOOL REPORT FOR CHILD IN CARE

Name of Child

ANGELA CROSS

Name of School

CASTLEBRAE

Address

Hawthornbrae,
46 The Causeway,
Edinburgh, 15.

Class

4B4

Date of Admission

Class Teacher

Date of Birth

22.5.67

Previous School(s)

Inverness Royal Academy

Guidance Teacher

L. J. McCall

ATTENDANCE RECORD

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RECEIVED

10 JUN 1982

Ref. to

Answd.

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NIL

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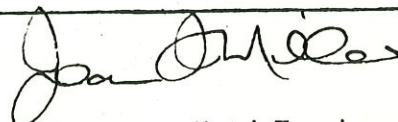
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Signature


Jan Miller
Head Teacher

Date

**Social Background Report for Childrens Hearing
Social Work Scotland Act 1968 Section 39.(4)**

Hearing Centre.	
HOWDEN STREET	
Date. Friday 25.6.82	Time. 12.00noon

Surname. CROSS	Forenames. Angela	Date of Birth. 22.5.67	Age. 15
Address. 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan, Edinburgh Prev: c/o Hawthornbrae Children's Home Presently: c/o Calder Grove Children's Home.		Religion.	

Grounds of Referral.

To review Supervision Requirement dated 15.3.82

Previous Appearances:

Angela was transferred to Calder Grove on Tuesday 22nd June on Section 44(6) Social Work (Scotland) Act.

The events which precipitated this occurring was, on that evening, Angela and another three girls were involved in a fight.

Angela was unable and unwilling to discuss the situation rationally and was threatening to assault another girl.

After Angela was placed in Calder Grove and the heat was taken out of the situation, she was able to look at the situation more rationally. On Thursday evening, she returned to Hawthornbrae and I understand that she and the other girl have been able to patch up their disagreement.

Angela is prone to mood swings and, when these occur it seems that she can present as two completely different personalities. On the one hand, she can be charming, pleasant and helpful and, on the other, she can be manipulative, unable to reason and very verbally abusive and threatening.

Given that the events which led to Angela being transferred to Calder Grove have now been dealt with and she has settled back at Hawthornbrae reasonably well, I feel that hearing members should continue her supervision requirement with a condition of residence at Hawthornbrae.

I have advised Mr Cross of today's hearing but unfortunately, due to work commitments he will be unable to attend.



Evelyn Snaddon
Social Worker

25th June 1982

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968..... 15th MARCH 1982.

A children's hearing for the Lothian Region by way of variation of [and in substitution for] the supervision requirement dated¹ 7-12-81

to which² Angela Cross (22-5-67) father - 5/4 Craigmillar Castle, Lothian
Edinburgh children's home

is subject, hereby require her [to reside in³

Hawthornbrae children's home,] Edinburgh
[to be under the supervision of⁴ a Social Worker nominated by the

Director of Social Work for Lothian Region¹
subject to the conditions noted below and the said requirement dated 7-12-81
is hereby revoked.

..... N. G. Campbell
Chairman of the children's hearing

**CONDITIONS REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING
SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT**

1. The child is required to observe the rules of conduct of the residential establishment.
2. The requirement to reside is subject to the discretion of the managers of the residential establishment to grant leave of absence from time to time.

..... N. G. Campbell
Chairman of the children's hearing

¹ Date of previous supervision requirement

² Name of child

³ Name of residential establishment

⁴ Name of local authority or other supervisor

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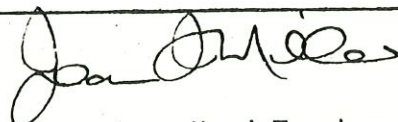
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Jan Miller
Head Teacher

Date

LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL



SOCIAL WORK

Emergency Duty Team,
Springwell House,
1 Gorgie Road
Edinburgh

Our Ref.

Your Ref.

Date 22/6/82.

Dear Mrs Robertson,

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968, SECTION 44 (6)

Child's Name Angela Cross Date of Birth 22/5/67
 Name of Place from which being transferred Hawthornbrae Children's Home, ...
 46 The Causeway, Edinburgh
 Home Address 5/4 Craigmiller Castle Loan, Edinburgh

On behalf of the Director of Social Work, in terms of the above Act and Section
 I am requesting that the above child be admitted to Calder Green Children's
 Home, Edinburgh

The Reporter ~~has been~~/will be informed and a Children's Hearing will take place
 within seven days.

Signed:
 Senior Social Worker/
 Area Officer

Signed*

Ass. Co-ordinator, Emergency Duty Team.

* To be countersigned by
 Authorising Officer:

Divisional Director/Officer)
 P.O. (Health Services)) During Office Hours
 Asst. Director (Combined Services))

OR

Emergency Duty Team Co-ordinator) Out of Hours

c.c. Reporter

Reception into Care - Information to Care Staff (RIC 6)

Full Name of Child ANGELA CROSS	D.O.B. 22/5/67
*LEGITIMATE/ILLEGITIMATE/EXTRA MARITAL S.W. SCOTLAND (68 ACT SECTION 15)	Religion C of S
Act & Section under which admitted S.W. SCOTLAND (68 ACT SECTION 15)	
Admitted by (SW) E SNADDON	
SW Area & phone no. AREA 3 669-1257	Date form completed 27/10/81

*Delete as appropriate

Home Address 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN	Admitted from (if different) SAME	School/Nursery attended CASTLEBRABE
		Staff Contact
		Other agencies involved INVERNESS S.W. DEPT TILL 26/10/81

Name of Father WILLIAM CROSS	D.O.B. 23/10/43	Occupation LABOURER	Address 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN	Tel. No.	Marital status SEPARATED
Custody *YES/NO					
Name of Mother PEARL CROSS	D.O.B. 21/2/45	Occupation	Address INVERNESS	Tel. No.	Marital status SEPARATED
Custody *YES/NO					

Doctor's Name & Address DR SYMONDS CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE RD	Siblings & Addresses ROBERT & ANGUS 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN	Possible Visitors PEARL CROSS - MOTHER
Tel.No.		

Names of other significant adults SHIELA HANSON	Addresses 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN	Relationship MR CROSS' CO-HAB - IS KNOWN TO ANGELA AS 'MUM'
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Reasons for admission.
BREAKDOWN OF PLACEMENT WITH FATHER. ANGELA BEEN
LIVING WITH FATHER SINCE 29TH JUNE 1981 PREVIOUSLY IN
CARE IN INVERNESS FOR 2/3 YRS.

Child's attitude to RIC/What was the child told?
ANGELA PLEASSED TO BE R.I.C & SHE HAS PUSHED PARENTS TO
EXTREMES TO FACILITATE THIS. - RUNNING AWAY FROM
HOME ON 3 OCCASSIONS, SUCKING, OVERDOSED WITH ANTI-BEDWETTING
TABLETS

Carer's contract with Social Worker e.g. duration of placement. UNKNOWN AT PRESENT - PROBABLE MINIMUM OF 3-6 MTHS. POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE OF LONG TERM CARE ? EDINBURGH / INVERNESS	Forms Rec'd - tick RIC - 2 RIC - 3 RIC - 4 RIC - 5
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Previous Admissions to Care

Placement	Act & Section under which admitted	From/To
11.11.77 FOSTER HOME, INVERNESS ? SECTION 15		11.11.77 3.1.78
ROSEDEAN CHILDRENS HOME, INVERNESS	44(1)(b)	9.6.79 13.2.80
FOSTER HOME INVERNESS	44(1)(b)	13.2.80-1.9.80
ROSEDEAN	44(1)(b)	1.9.80-29.6.8

Behavioural Problems

BED WETTING, TESTING ADULTS OUT
HAS RUN AWAY FROM HOME ON 3 OCCASSIONS } WITHIN LAST 3 WEEKS
OVERDOSED WITH ANTI BED-WETTING TABLETS }

Brief Details of Family Situation

Angela and her two brothers - Robert & Angus - have been resident with their father & his co-habitee since 29th June 81. Angela was adopted by her father when she was a baby. Initially the placement went well but within the last 3 weeks family relationships have deteriorated considerably - resulting from Angela running away, stating wants to be R.I.C.

Future Plans

1. Parents;

Mr Cross hopes that there would be a possibility of Angela being rehabilitated into the family. However, his co-habitee feels that she has come to the end of the road with Angela & is not willing for her to return. Mr Cross would probably accept his co-habitee's views in order to maintain the existing stability in the family.

2. Department;

Not presently known given uncertainty in home base. Possible long term care. ? Edinburgh or Inverness

6. Are speech and articulation satisfactory?

yes

7. Does the child suffer from incontinence?

yes

Urinary YES ☒ NO ☐ Faecal YES ☐ NO ☒

8. Particulars of present medication/treatment

nil

9. Particulars of any condition of which the carers should be aware:

e.g. allergies, medication to which the child does not respond, bedwetting, attendance at hospitals/clinics etc. Evidence of abnormality of development or behaviour which is inconsistent with the child's age.

Was an hypertonic 25yr in - circumcised
some o/s - but was of keep.

10. Has there been any change in the child (physically or mentally) since last seen by you?

L black eye. Bruises both legs. Bruises
bruises both calves, thighs and arms.

11. Child's general state of health and any other comments.

12. CERTIFICATE I certify that I have today examined Angela Cross who is*/is not already known to me, and find this child fit*/unfit to be in care, i.e. this child does*/does not require hospital care.

I also certify that I find this child free from infection*/suffering from the conditions mentioned above. This was an initial*/subsequent*/emergency* consultation by me. *Delete as appropriate

Signature James P. Thompson

Name and
Address

(in block capitals)

JAMES P. THOMPSON
112 CHAUNCEY ROAD
BRISTOL AVON GL1 1BA

Date 28.10.81

MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF CHILD



Reception into care medical ☒

28 day medical ☐

Annual medical ☐

Transfer/discharge medical ☐

Please Return to

Name

Address

Administration of Children's Homes Regulations 1959, Boarding out of Children (Scotland) Regs. 1959,

Surname <i>CROSS</i>		Home Address <i>5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LEAN</i>		Date of Birth <i>22/5/67</i>					
Forenames <i>ANGELA</i>		Present Address (if different)		Sex <i>F</i>					
Next of Kin (if applicable)		Name and Address <i>WILLIAM CROSS 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LEAN</i>							
1. Immunisation Record		First Medical		Additions since last examined					
Polio Vaccination		1. <i>up to date</i>		2. 3.					
Triple Antigen		1. <i>up to date</i>		2. 3.					
Whooping Cough		1. <i>up to date</i>		2. 3.					
Diphtheria/Tetanus		1. <i>up to date</i>		2. 3.					
Rubella		1. <i>—</i>		Has the child had the appropriate immunisation for his/her age? <table border="1"><tr><td>YES</td><td>☒</td></tr><tr><td>NO</td><td>☐</td></tr></table>		YES	☒	NO	☐
YES	☒								
NO	☐								
Measles		1. <i>—</i>							
B.C.G.		1. <i>1979</i>							
2. History of illness, infections or injuries.		Since Birth		Since last seen					
<i>Conjunctivitis A. elegans Benign skin eruptions</i>									
3. The condition of: (please elaborate in Section 10 if necessary)									
Eyes/Sight		<i>NAD. / does vision & eye</i>							
Ears/Hearing		<i>does hearing & ear - has hearing aid</i>							
Throat		<i>NAD.</i>							
Tonsils		<i>NAD</i>							
Teeth and Gums		<i>NAD. / NAD.</i>							
*Skin and Scalp		<i>Scalp skin NAD. & black eye. Bruises legs</i>							
*Please indicate presence and extent of bruising, vermin etc. and any need for treatment									
4. Evidence of abnormality in the following systems (comment in Section 10 if necessary)									
Cardiovascular		<i>no</i>							
Respiratory		<i>no</i>							
Alimentary		<i>no</i>							
Central Nervous		<i>no</i>							
Genito-urinary		<i>nocturnal enuresis</i>							
Other									
5. State of Nutrition									
<i>Excellent</i>									

Medical Information at Application (RIC 2)

Child's Surname

CROSS

Forename(s)

ANGELA

D.O.B.

22/5/67

CP.No.

Previous Infections - indicate YES or NO or NOT KNOWN. If YES, give date.

Measles YES 1980

German Measles NO

Whooping Cough NO

Mumps NO

Dysentery NO

Chicken-pox YES

Scarlet Fever NO

Diphtheria NO

Other - Specify NO

Completed Inoculations - indicate YES or No. If Yes, give date.

Smallpox YES 1970

Triple Antigen - diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus. YES 1970

B.C.G. YES 1970

Polio YES 1970

Measles YES 1970

Other - Specify (e.g. German Measles)

Has the child had any operations? If so, where, when, and for what?

RAIGMORE HOSPITAL, INVERNESS - 1979/80. TONSILS REMOVED.
EYE OPERATION FOR SQUINT

Is a special diet required e.g. diabetic? If so please specify.

NO

Has the child attended a Child Guidance Clinic? If so when and where?

NOT KNOWN

Does the child have any particular behavioural difficulties?

YES - MOODY, ATTENTION SEEKING, BED WETTING.

PARENT'S DECLARATION

I declare that the information given on this form is correct.

Signature

A. Cross

Date

27-10-81

PLEASE COLLECT NATIONAL HEALTH CARD



Craigmillar Area Office,
182 Greendykes Road,
Edinburgh EH16 4EQ

Telephone 031-669 1257

Our Ref. C/ES/IG

Your Ref.

Date. 16th March 1982

Mrs Pearl Cross
c/o McDonald
90 Lochalsh Road
Inverness.

Dear Mrs Cross,

Your daughter Angela attended a Hearing yesterday, Monday 15th March, where Hearing members varied her supervision requirement to include a condition of residence at Hawthornbrae Children's Home. Angela was formally transferred there, from Canaan Lodge, after the Hearing. The address is:-

Hawthornbrae Children's Home
46 The Causeway
Edinburgh EH15 3PZ
Tel 031 661 1107

The person in charge of the home is a Mrs Moira Maxwell.

I am the social worker ^{who} ~~she~~ is presently responsible for Angela and, if you would wish any information on your daughter's progress I would be pleased to let you know how she is getting on, as I am sure would the staff at Hawthornbrae.

Until recently, I believe Brenda Crane, social worker Inverness, was advising you of this as Brenda and myself have been in contact discussing future plans for Angela. Presently, Angela seems to be settling down and adjusting to Hawthornbrae. The move has been a little difficult for her as she was particularly settled at Canaan Lodge and she was fond of some of the staff there. However, it was explained to Angela that Canaan Lodge was only a reception unit and could take kids for a maximum of 6 months while other resources were being explored. Hawthornbrae seems to be a resource which can provide Angela with stability and security while also preparing her for independence in the future. As such, I feel that Angela will settle well there and will be happy staying there. Angela has stayed there over the past 3 weekends and she seems to have enjoyed this. She also seems to be quite popular with the other children there.

Hawthornbrae is only about 1 mile away from Angela's school, Castlebrae. As such, Angela will be able to continue attending Castlebrae which I feel is in Angela's best interests as she has settled well at school and is getting good school reports.

I am aware that you and Angela have been maintaining written contact and that Angela has probably been advising you of what has been happening.

Should you wish further information either now or at a later date regarding Angela's progress, please do not hesitate to get in contact with me.

Yours sincerely,

F Snaddon. Social Worker

THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND
COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO CHILDREN'S HOME.

Please complete in duplicate separate forms for each member of the family to be admitted. These should then be returned along with medical forms (in duplicate) for each child and a full background report to the CHILDREN'S HOMES SUPERVISOR, THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, 121 GEORGE STREET, EDINBURGH, EH2 4YN. Any school or Psychiatric reports available should also be sent so that as much information as possible may be given to the Houseparents-in-Charge with whom the application will be discussed. Further information about the Homes is given in the memorandum enclosed with these forms.

PARTICULARS OF THE CHILD:

FULL NAME OF CHILD: ANGELA CROSS..... KNOWN AS ANGIE.....
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 22.5.67 - LONDON.....
PRESENT ADDRESS: 40 CANAAN LODGE, CANAAN LANE,.....
EDINBURGH. (ADMITTED ON 28/10/81).....
NATIONALITY: BRITISH.....
RELIGION:..... HAS THE CHILD BEEN BAPTISED? UNKNOWN.....
SCHOOL ATTENDED AT PRESENT: CASTLEBRAE.....
HAS CHILD PREVIOUSLY BEEN IN CARE? YES.....
DETAILS OF PREVIOUS HOMES OR RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS OR FOSTER HOMES: 11.11.77-3.1.78 FOSTER
HOME, INVERNESS; 9.6.78-13.2.80 ROSEDALE CHILDREN'S HOME, INVERNESS;
13.2.80-1.9.80 FOSTER HOME, INVERNESS; 19.80-29.6.81 ROSEDALE CHILDREN'S HOME.
SOCIAL WORK ACT AND SECTION: SOCIAL WORK SCOTLAND ACT 1968 SECTION 44(1)(b)
REASON(S) FOR ADMISSION: LACK OF PARENTAL CARE A BREAKDOWN
OF PLACEMENT AT HOME.....

PARTICULARS OF THE PARENTS:

	FATHER (ADOPTED ANGELA)	MOTHER
FULL NAME	WILLIAM CROSS	PEARL CROSS
ADDRESS	5/4 CRAIG MILLAR CASTLE LOAN	40 MC DONALD 90 LOCHALSH ROAD INVERNESS
DATE OF BIRTH	23.10.47	22.2.46
MARITAL STATUS	SEPARATED	SEPARATED
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	BRITAIN	BRITISH
OCCUPATION	LABOURER	PART TIME HOUSEKEEPER PART TIME OFFICE CLEANER

If parents are separated or divorced give details of any Court Orders relating to custody of, or access to, the child.

NO COURT ORDER

LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL

CHILDREN'S PANEL



Lothian Region Reporter
A.F. Finlayson,
1/3 Howden Street, Edinburgh EH8 9HH
Telephone 031-667 9431

Mr McArthur
Officer In Charge
Canaan Lodge Children's Home
Canaan Lane
Edinburgh

Our reference AJC/VS

Your reference

Date 4th March 1982

Dear Mr McArthur

ANGELA CROSS (22.5.67)
h/a 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan, Edinburgh

I write to advise that arrangements have been made for a Hearing for
Angela to be held on Monday 15th March 1982
at 6.45 p.m.

If the date or time is inconvenient please advise as soon as possible
so that other arrangements may be considered. A progress report would
be appreciated, if possible a week ahead of the Hearing, for prior
circulation to the Hearing Members.

The Hearing looks forward to welcoming a member of staff at the Hearing.

Formal notification is enclosed.

Yours sincerely

ALISON J CUNNINGHAM
Divisional Reporter - Edinburgh East

Enc

If telephoning please ask for

All communications to be addressed to the Reporter

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

To
Angela Cross
c/o Canaan Lodge Children's Home
Canaan Lane
Edinburgh

You have been referred to a children's hearing for the Lothian Region

to review at the request of the Local Authority under Section 48(2) of the
Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 Supervision Requirement dated 7.12.81

You are required in terms of section 40(1) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to attend
the hearing

on (date) Monday 15th March 1982

at (time) 6.45 p.m.

at (place) Children's Hearing Centre, 1-3 Howden Street, Edinburgh

Please read the Notes set out below

4th March 19 82

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ALISON J CUNNINGHAM DIVISIONAL

Reporter

NOTES

A children's hearing is a group of three people specially selected for their interest and concern in understanding and helping children who are in trouble. They meet to discuss with a child and his parents any difficulties that may have arisen, to discover the reasons for these difficulties and to find an answer which is in the best interests of the child. In some cases this may involve compulsory supervision or even removal from home. Further information on the hearing is set out in the leaflet entitled 'To tell you about the Children's Hearing' a copy of which accompanies this notification.

When the children's hearing are discussing your case, they will want to find out your views and you may, if you wish, bring with you to the hearing someone to help you in discussing your difficulties and what might be done. The personal expenses of this representative (but not any fees) may be refunded if they are not less than fifteen pence (15p).

Your own personal expenses (but not any loss of earnings) in coming to the hearing may be refunded if those expenses, together with any expenses of your parent(s) in coming to the hearing are not less than fifteen pence (15p).

If you do not attend the hearing, steps may be taken, including possibly your detention, to make sure that you do appear before a hearing. If there is a very good reason, such as illness, why you will be unable to attend the hearing, you should contact the reporter at:

CHILDREN'S HEARINGS CENTRE
1-3 Howden Street
Edinburgh
EH8 9HH
(Tel 031 667 9431)

53 George IV Bridge
Edinburgh
EH1 1EJ
(Tel 229 9292 Ext. 2996)

Court Square
Linlithgow
EH49 7EQ
(Tel Linlithgow 4701)

Social Background Report for Childrens Hearing
Social Work Scotland Act 1968 Section 39.(4)

Hearing Centre.	
HOWDEN STREET	
Date.	Time.
7.12.81	6.00p.m.

Surname.	Forenames.	Date of Birth.	Age.
CROSS	ANGELA	22.5.67	14
Address.		Religion.	
C/O CANAAN LODGE EX, 5/4 CRAIGMILLAR CASTLE LOAN, EDINBURGH			
Grounds of Referral.			
Previous Appearances.			

Family:-

Mr William Cross	34 years	father	Labourer
Miss Sheila Hansen	27 years	co-habittee	Part-time chambermaid.
Angela Cross	14 years	c/o Canaan Lodge since 28.10.81, subject of report.	
Robert Cross	11 years	brother	Pupil at Castlebrae High.
Angus Cross	9 years	brother	Pupil at Peffermill Primary.

Mrs Pearl Cross, Angela's mother, is resident in Inverness.

Background:-

Mr and Mrs Cross met when Mr Cross, who was a corporal in the Army, was posted to Inverness: Mrs Cross being a native of Inverness; Mr Cross originating from Glasgow. The couple married in March 1968. Angela was the illegitimate child of Mrs Cross to a previous relationship whom Mr Cross adopted. As a baby and prior to her mother's marriage to Mr Cross, Angela spent a period in local authority care. In 1969, while pregnant with Robert, Mrs Cross had a "nervous breakdown" and was admitted to Craig Dunain Hospital, Inverness. In March 1970 the family moved to Tidworth as Mr Cross was posted there with the army. However, Mrs Cross did not stay long and moved with the children back to Inverness after less than a year. A year later, Mr Cross was posted to Singapore and Mrs Cross and the children accompanied him. While in Singapore, shortly after Angus' birth, Mrs Cross had another "nervous breakdown". She was not hospitalized but treated at home. Whilst in Singapore Angela was knocked down by an army bus which resulted in her becoming slightly deaf and developing a squint. After Singapore, in 1975, Mr Cross was posted to Edinburgh where the family lived in Army quarters at Redford Barracks. In October 1976, Mrs Cross moved with the children to council tenancy in Livingston as she was unhappy living in Army quarters. Since their return from Singapore, relationships steadily deteriorated: Mr Cross saw his wife and children on only a few occasions; the family debt amounted to £1,000, the electricity and gas supply had been disconnected.

In November 1977, Mrs Cross left Livingston with the three children and returned to Inverness. When she arrived in Inverness she abandoned Angela, Robert and Angus at the Social Work Department. The children were received into foster care. At a Children's Hearing on 23rd November 1977 all three children were made subjects of a supervision requirement.

Cont/d.....

Mrs Cross managed to secure housing at 71 West Drive and the children were discharged from foster care on 3.1.78 and returned to reside with their mother.

From the beginning of 1979 Angela resided with her grandmother, Mrs McDonald, for a few months.

On 9.6.79, all three children were received into care after an incident when the police found the children left unattended in the early hours of that morning: Angela was placed in Rosedene Children's Home; her brothers were placed in foster care.

When Mrs Cross went to Rosedene Children's Home on 12.6.81 to take Angela to reside with her grandmother, Angela became upset and refused to leave with her mother. Angela alleged that she was "battered" by her mother when Mrs Cross was drunk; Mrs Cross had left the children unattended on several occasions whilst she was out drinking. As a result of this incident, the situation was considered at a Children's Hearing on 26.6.79, where supervision orders with residential requirements were made on all three children.

At a Children's Hearing on 13.2.80, hearing members varied Angela's supervision requirement in order to let her stay in foster care with Mrs Reilly, foster parent. Angela continued to reside in foster care until September 1980 at which she was transferred to Rosedene Children's Home: Angela had refused to return to her foster home after a relatively minor disagreement regarding a bicycle.

While in foster care, Angela was initially one of five children resident with Mrs Reilly. When another child, older than Angela, was also placed there, this appeared to have a considerably unsettling affect on Angela which, I believe, was also instrumental in the breakdown of this foster placement.

Shortly after Angela returned to Rosedene Children's Home her father, Mr Cross, approached Highland Region Social Work Department expressing a wish to have Angela and her two brothers reside with him and his co-habitee in Edinburgh. The children stayed with Mr Cross for a week at Xmas and a further week at Easter and came down on alternative weekends to stay in Edinburgh with their father. A review Hearing on 29.6.81 varied the supervision requirement in order that Angela and her brothers could reside with their father.

Mr Cross and Miss Hansen:-

When his wife left him in 1977, Mr Cross gave up the family home in Livingston. Until he was demobbed from the army in November 1979, Mr Cross was posted to various places: Belize, England, Germany.

Mr Cross met Sheila Boston (nee Hansen) in 1977. Mrs Boston's ex-husband was also in the army. When Mr Cross came out of the army he lived with Miss Hansen's parents until the couple were allocated their present council tenancy in February 1980. The couple are unable to marry as Mr Cross is not divorced. Relationships between the couple appear good: Mr Cross impresses as a warm easy going man. He admits that it takes him a lot to get riled and, as such, he is able to take most things in his stride. I understand that there was a degree of marital violence when he was living with Mrs Cross, however I understand that this was often provoked by pressures from his marital relationship. Miss Hansen impresses as a warm woman. She has a somewhat volatile nature which does not appear to land itself to a great degree of tolerance.

Initially Angela settled well and what minor problems may have arisen over that time, Mr Cross and Miss Hansen appeared able to cope with adequately.

However Mr Cross and Miss Hansen began to experience difficulties with Angela and they found that they conflicted regarding measures of discipline. I gather Angela may have "thrived" under such conditions and she began to play one parent off against the other. I understand from Brenda Crane, Social Worker Inverness that Angela is quite adept at "divide and rule" tactics.

At the beginning of October 1981, Mr Cross and Miss Hansen began to encounter real difficulties with Angela: Angela had been admitted overnight to hospital as she had overdosed with tablets/..

Angela had been admitted overnight to hospital as she had overdosed with tablets prescribed for her bed-wetting; on 14th October 1981 Angela was found on the Forth Road Bridge by the police - she was trying to return to Inverness. Both these incidents had occurred after relatively minor disagreements at home. Angela stated that she no longer wished to reside with her father and that she wished to return to Inverness. In desperation, Mr Cross and Miss Hansen responded, in the heat of the moment, by advising that they were unable to continue having Angela reside with them: Angela was manifesting attention seeking behaviour, was sulking, stating that she no longer wished to reside there. However, after discussion it seemed that all parties were willing to give the placement another try. Mr Cross and Miss Hansen acknowledged that the difficulties they were having with Angela was placing a considerable strain on their relationship. Miss Hansen, in particular felt she was reaching the end of her tether with Angela and she admitted that she found it increasingly difficult to respond positively to Angela. At this point I tentatively discussed the possibility of Angela's admission to Niddrie Family Group Home with the family thereby relieving existing family strain and working towards supporting Angela's full rehabilitation into the family.

Angela attended a Children's Hearing in Inverness on 26.10.81. A few days prior to this she had again run away from home and her father collected her at the police station - Angela had run away on her brother's bicycle, she had taken a tent with her and I understand it was her intention to live "rough". When Angela was returned to him, Mr Cross' frustration with Angela resulted in him chastising Angela to such an extent that he accidentally pushed Angela against a door. This resulted in Angela receiving a bruise above her eye.

When Angela attended the Hearing in Inverness, Mr Cross advised hearing members of recent events. However I believe he under-reacted to Miss Hansen's statement that she no longer wished Angela to reside with the family.

I understand that it was agreed at the Hearing on 26.10.81 that Mr Cross and Angela would contain the situation for one night only - as such Angela returned to Edinburgh with her father.

On 28.10.81 Angela was received into care - Section 15 Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 and placed in Canaan Lodge. Angela has been resident there since.

Miss Hansen has remained adamant since this time that she is not willing for Angela to return to the family. Reluctantly, Mr Cross has accepted this as he is neither willing to jeopardize his relationship with Miss Hansen nor the present and future stability of Robert and Angus. As such there appears to be no present or future possibility of Angela returning to her father's care.

I also feel that Mr Cross does not seem to be particularly motivated to achieve such a goal. Since Angela has been in care, I understand, he has phoned her on two occasions. He has neither written to her nor visited Canaan Lodge. Miss Hansen has made no effort to contact Angela since she was admitted to care.

Angela:-

Since Angela was received into care she has remained adamant that she wishes to remain in care until she is 16 years. When aged 16 years, it is her intention to return to Inverness. Angela has relatives resident in Inverness, however I understand that none of them are in a position to be able to look after Angela at present. Within the last week Angela has made contact with her father - she visited him during the school lunch period. Angela states that the atmosphere in the house was tense during her visit as Miss Hansen did not speak to her - Mr Cross also states that this was the situation. I have discussed future care arrangements with Angela, as she is aware that she is only able to stay in Canaan Lodge for a maximum of 6 months. She appears to be willing to consider either a small family type unit or community carers/parents. I feel that both these types of placements would meet Angela's needs in that they could prepare her for independence in the future.

A meeting has been arranged for Thursday 3rd December 1981 with Canaan Lodge staff, Brenda Crane and Barry Richards, Inverness Social Work Department and our department to discuss future planning for Angela.

Assessment/Recommendation:-

It would appear that arrangements for Angela's long-term care have to be considered as she has no prospects of returning either to the care of her father in Edinburgh or her mother in Inverness. Angela herself wishes to reside in long-term care. It should also be acknowledged that Angela's possible return to her father could place a strain on the family relationships and possibly jeopardize Robert and Angus' future security. As such, long-term care is an area which will have to be fully explored in order that Angela's present and future needs be met. In the interim our department is willing to continue supervising Angela on behalf of Highland Region Social Work Department.

In light of the above comments hearing members may feel it appropriate to continue Angela's supervision order with a condition of residence at Canaan Lodge.



E Snaddon
SOCIAL WORKER

2nd December 1981

LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL

SCHOOL REPORT FOR REPORTER TO CHILDREN'S PANEL

Please complete both pages of this report and return white and yellow copies as soon as possible to:

Reporter to Children's Panel 1/3 Howden Street, Edinburgh
~~53 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh~~
~~Court Square, Inverthgow~~

10 11 81 Date

Name Angela Cross	D.of B. 22 5 67	Date of transfer from Primary to Secondary School August 1979
Address 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan Edinburgh		Date of leaving school May 1983
School Castlebrae	Class 3k.	

PURPOSE OF REPORT

GROUNDS FOR REFERRAL

~~Initial Investigation Report~~

~~Progress Report~~

Children's Hearing on:

Monday 7 December 1981 at 6.00 pm

to review supervision requirement

AREA 3 CRAIGMILLAR
 RECEIVED
 - 1 DEC 1981
 Ref. to
 Answd.

Attendance

At Royal Acad
Inverness.

Last 4 weeks	
possible	actual
40	36

This session	
possible	actual
134	123

Last Session	
possible	actual

Please indicate any reasons for absence: illness; *absence without reasonable cause; any pattern of absence; latecoming and the involvement of the Attendance Department.

One day off when changing home.

Angela had a couple of days off when the school burse sent her home with stomach pains.

* If possible, note the number of absences attributable to this.

Academic Progress throughout the School

(Please give details of course followed, ability, achievement. Please mention any special difficulties/abilities and detail any adjustment or remedial help)

Angela is progressing quite well in school. She works very hard in all her subjects and the only complaint from staff is that she chats too much in History and Fashion & Fabric. She is following a 3 'O' Grade and 3 CSE course.

Specialist Services/Health

Please detail any contact with Specialist services, e.g. speech therapy; Child Guidance; Social Work Department; Psychiatric Services; School Health (other than routine). Are there any health factors affecting the child?

Social worker - Evelyn Saldon.

Behaviour and Special Interests

(Please comment on the child's behaviour in and out of class, his relationships with other children and with adults and any recent changes in behaviour. Please mention any extra curricular/sporting activities)

Angela behaves well and works hard in school. She does not seem to have many interests although she is developing an interest in boys at the moment.

Home Circumstances

Please indicate parental contact and attitude to the school and any significant circumstances which teachers feel should be brought to the attention of the reader of the report.

I have had no reason to contact the family.

Teachers' Observations

(If completed by more than one member of staff, please indicate which member of staff has furnished the information).
(Head Teacher/Guidance Teacher/Class Teachers)

Since coming to Castlebrae in August Angela has settled down very well. She is a polite quiet girl and has made friends with a couple of quiet girls in her class. She is always willing to chat and is very open when asked questions about her last school.

Date: _____

H1 (amended)

Signature _____

HEAD TEACHER

MINUTES OF 72 HOUR REVIEW AT CANAAN LODGE ON 30/10/81

PRESENT Jackie Porteous, Denise Stark, Rhona McSherry (Canaan Lodge); Alistair Findlay, E Snaddon - Craigmillar S W Department.

Child Angela Cross (d.o.b. 22/5/67) R I C Section 15 on 28/10/81.

For the past four years Angela has been resident in Inverness with her mother and two younger brothers. For the majority of this time Angela has been in residential care - Section 44 1(b). On 29th June, Angela and her two brothers came down to Edinburgh to test out the possibility of residing with their father on a permanent basis.

Robert and Angus settled well. However Angela experienced several difficulties which resulted in her running away on three occasions and over-dosing with anti-bedwetting tablets.

Angela attended a Children's Hearing in Inverness on 26/10/81 at which Hearing members decided to transfer the supervision requirement - this was in full knowledge that Mr Cross and Angela agreed to contain the situation for one night only.

On 28/10/81 Angela was R I C Section 15 and placed in Canaan Lodge: Angela was adamant that she no longer wished to reside at home; Sheila Hansen was no longer prepared to have Angela reside with the family; Mr Cross was not willing to jeopardise his relationship with Sheila Hansen nor the placement of Robert and Angus and thereby agreed to Angela's R I C.

Relationships in the family, and in particular between Sheila Hansen and Angela, have deteriorated to such an extent within the last few days that presently there is no platform for rehabilitative work.

Canaan Lodge Angela settled well in Canaan and appeared to be coping more than adequately with being in care. She expresses no bitterness towards her father.

- Future Plans
- (1) At present there is no basis for re-habilitative work. Therefore a long term resource may have to be considered ? Inverness or Edinburgh.
 - (2) Agreed that the next 6 weeks should be a period of assessment to clarify future planning.
 - (3) Reporter, Children's Hearings, has been notified of the transferred supervision requirements and a Hearing will probably be called within the next few weeks.



E Snaddon
Social Worker



CANAAN LODGE,
Canaan Lane,
Edinburgh,
EH10 4SS.

REPORT ON
ANGELA CROSS.

Our Ref.

Your Ref.

Date 7th December 1981

D.O.B. 22. 5.81
D.O.A. 28.10.81

Angela was admitted to Canaan Lodge after the home situation with her father and his co-habitee had broken down.

It was obvious from the beginning that Angela was quite used to life in care. She settled quite quickly but did try to manipulate until she found out what was expected of her.

Angela finds relationships with her peer group fairly difficult, therefore if she finds someone who befriends her she follows them around like a sheep and tends to rub them up the wrong way, making herself unpopular. This lowers her self esteem.

Angela keeps a very low profile within Canaan, she is not a management problem although she can be quite stubborn at times. She is not particularly close to any member of staff and does not seek staff attention. She does however like sympathy and gets this by crying and generally feeling very sorry for herself. Angela always sees herself as the victim and blameless for anything which goes wrong.

Angela can be very open about her background and recently went through all of her past life with a member of staff, talking in great detail about her relationships with mother, father and father's co-habitee. The conclusion which was reached at the end of this was that Angela wanted her mother and father to get together again, however it was made very clear to her that this was most unlikely ever to happen. Angela failing to get the attention she seeks from her father is turning back to Mum. She wants to live in a children's home in Inverness to be near mum and granny.

Angela realises that she does not have a future with her mother. She says this is because of her mother's drinking, drug taking and lack of accommodation. She seems quite resentful of her mother's inability to care for her children but also seems quite fond of her.

Angela also speaks fondly of her father however recently she has said he doesn't care about her because he never visits her or phones her at Canaan Lodge. She has visited her father on several occasions on her way to school in the morning and says she is always welcomed by him.

Angela projects all blame and resentment on to her father's co-habitee. She thinks everything would be fine with her father if the co-habitee was not around. She refuses to look at things from the co-habitee's point of view and blames her for her father and mother's marriage break up.

Angela attends school regularly and appears to enjoy her lessons. She is atten-



CANAAN LODGE.

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attentive, average in attainment most subjects and presents no behaviour problems.

CONCLUSION:

Return to Canaan until a suitable placement can be found in a small Family Group Home or with Community Carers, either in the Edinburgh area or North of Scotland.

D. Stark,
R.C.O.

Daise Stark

G.M. Smith,

Deputy Officer in charge.

G.M. Smith

Edinburgh Division

Child in Care Review Report (CCRI)

TO: AREA OFFICE/ESTABLISHMENT
AREA OFFICER/OFFICER-IN-CHARGE

Child's Name Angela Cross		Date of Birth 22.5.67
Placement Hawthornbrae Children's Home		Officer in Charge
Social Worker Miriam Vickers		Area 3
Review Date 28.4.83	Place Hawthornbrae	

The report should include the following:-

- a) Changes and developments since the last review, including dates of visits by Social Worker.
Contact with family.
Date of last medical and child's health.
Date of last school report and progress at school.
Date of placement at present address.
- b) Present situation.
- c) Future Plans. (including: Should a request be made for an earlier review hearing?
Should parental rights be assumed?)

Report

Our last review took place in mid-November when residential staff expressed some concern over a perceived lack of commitment on Angela's part to remain at Hawthornbrae. It was decided that Angela should come off the independence programme for a few weeks as she was not using it very well i.e. she was eating pretty badly and losing weight. A further decision was made that a Review Hearing should be held in order that the Panel members were kept informed of Angela's progress or lack of it. Its purpose was to put Angela in a position where she knew that her behaviour in Hawthornbrae was of formal importance to a number of people. It was also decided, so that Angela did not feel people were just trying to get at her, that she be given a kettle to be used in her room in a few days time, in exchange for Angela promising to improve her behaviour. Angela accepted her removal from the independence programme but said that she felt that the arrangement of the Children's Hearing was a ploy to get rid of her and was quite late about this means of being used to monitor her behaviour. She was pleased about the kettle, naturally enough. Angela's behaviour certainly improved over the next few weeks although she got drunk with a few boys around Duddingston and could'nt remember what happened. Naturally enough she was quite worried about the consequences of her action. I contacted her grandmother in Glasgow so that she could spend a week through there over the Christmas holiday. A Review Hearing was arranged for the first week in January, Angela did not talk a great deal about her Christmas in Glasgow and had no further communication with any of her relatives in Glasgow until mid-March. The Children's hearing went quite deep for Angela and the Chairman in particular after discussing some of her escapades with her, said he felt she had a long way to go before she could move into a flat. He also made quite clear his concern that she would end up expecting a baby as a result of one of her escapades. Angela took great offense to this and still talks about this quite angrily.

Over the past 5 months or so, Angela has however settled down considerably. Her relationship with members of staff and other residents has improved and she is able to accept advice from staff without feeling got at. Angela was quite upset about a telephone call from her father and brothers in March when it was intimated that I had given information to D.H.S.S. which led to Mr Cross 'getting found and getting into trouble'. It appears too, that Mr Cross might have felt that Angela had passed information because she was angry with him. This resulted in some unsettlement in our relationship.

Recently, Angela had been put on the leaving course at school which means she will
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Date: 22nd April 1983 Signature: Muriel Tucker
Residential/Social Worker
Date: _____ Signature: _____
Senior Social Worker/O. in C.

Please indicate the people who should be invited to the review.

Name	Designation	Address

GLIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

INVERNESS DIVISION

Social Background Report

The following report is:-

Subject: Cross Date of Birth: 1. 26.12.69
1. Robert John 2. 30. 5.72
 Children Names: 2. Angus Edward Religion: 3. 22. 5.67
 or Forenames 3. Angela Isabel

Address: All at Rosedene Children's Home, Inverness

Mother: c/o MacDonald, 90 Lochalsh Road, Inverness

Father: 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan, Craigmillar, Edinburgh.

Marital State: Occupation:

is to report on Inverness Children's Home at 1. 26.12.69

In connection with the case of 1. 26.12.69 Robert John Cross

2. Review at request of Social Work Department - Angela, Robert and Angus Cross

Prepared by: Mrs. R.J. Crane Designation: Social Worker

ORDER OF COURT / DECISION OF HEARING

The Circumstances:

The children's mother, Mrs. Pearl Cross, continues to have no permanent home to which she can take the children and lives at a friend's home with her co-habitee, Roddy McLachlan. She has had a part-time cleaning job until recently and maintains that she was asked to give this up temporarily on her doctor's advice following the appearance of an inexplicable skin complaint. She has not, to my knowledge, been involved in further offences herself, although she and Roddy have had to give evidence frequently of late concerning offences in which they themselves have had no part. Mrs. Cross still tends to associate with those on the fringes of criminal activity. She maintains that she is now coping with her drink problem in spite of the example of several of her associates. Mrs. Cross has not managed to start tackling the debts accrued during her previous tenancy.

Mrs. Cross has admitted to me that she now feels that, although she dislikes the idea of her husband's co-habitee caring for her children, she feels it would ultimately be in the children's best interest for them to stay with their father as it is in fact what they themselves wish. She accepts that she herself will have no home to offer in the immediate future. She has not been visiting the children, although they occasionally drop in to see her. Mrs. Cross's guilt feelings about the children often spill over into protestations of caring for them and expressed plans to "take them home" in the near future and all the children, except possibly Angus, are now able to take this at face value. Mrs. Cross, overall, impresses as someone who is content to remain effectively free of the responsibility for the direct care of her children while having scope to pursue her own aims. There is an element of interest on her part but insufficient motivation to change her own situation in order to make it a suitable one for the care of the children.

Mr. William Cross, the children's father is employed in a labouring capacity in Edinburgh. He was demobbed from the Army in November 1979, having previously been posted to England, Germany and Belize since his wife left him. He lives in a 3 apartment council flat in the Craigmillar area of Edinburgh, one characterised by a high degree of adult crime and juvenile delinquency. Material standards within the home are adequate and it is well maintained. Mr. Cross has co-habited, since his wife left in 1977, with Mrs. Sheila Boston a 27 year old divorcee who has no children of her own. She works each morning at a local guest house as a chambermaid.

Mr. & Mrs. Cross's divorce is not yet finalised and costs and custody of the children have proved a bone of contention between the parties, but Mr. Cross and Mrs. Boston hope to marry once it is finalised. Mrs. Boston appears to be an open, if at times diffident, young woman who can be sensible and determined. The couple enjoy a caring relationship which has been at times tested by Mr. Cross's own inability to openly express and discuss his feelings while Mrs. Boston has a need for knowing where she stands. Nonetheless, their relationship would appear to be a stable one.

I have visited the couple regularly over the period from Christmas 1980 to the present time, during which time the couple's situation has been assessed with a view to rehabilitation of the children with their father and Mrs. Boston. Prior to my first contact with the couple the local Social Work Office had made a preliminary investigation on our behalf. Rehabilitation plans of the children and father and their relationships as a unit will be outlined below.

Angela Cross:

Angela remains a somewhat confused aggressive child who is very much in need of a family situation. Since the resumption of interest from her father, she has become thoroughly determined that she will settle nowhere other than at his home and lately at Rosedene there have been some difficulties because Angela has, with the return to her father in mind, been reluctant to accept any discipline at Rosedene. Nonetheless she continues to attend school, in spite of bursts of truancy at intervals in the past. It was felt that perhaps Mr. Cross and Mrs. Boston might have most cause for concern with regard to Angela although it has been explained to her that her father and Sheila Boston would be no more willing to cope with bad behaviour on her part than would the staff at school or Rosedene, and to some extent Angela has been trying to modify her behaviour.

Assessment & Recommendation:

All three children are very keen to live with their father and Mrs. Boston who are equally/

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to have them with them as soon as possible. The situation has been tested over a period by means of, to date, 2 holiday periods at Easter and Christmas and more or less fortnightly weekend stays with their father since February of this year. The couple's relationship with the children is one characterized by caring and friendliness as well as a good degree of firmness and, although it is acknowledged that there may be difficulties, especially for Mrs. Boston, we have tried over the period to give as much of an opportunity as possible to allow the parties concerned to test each other out and have as near an experience of normal family living together as possible.

It is therefore respectfully recommended that the Panel vary the Supervision Requirement to allow these children to live with their father in Edinburgh, while remaining on Home Supervision under Section 44 (1) A, as it is felt that this would provide the sort of family care that the children need at this stage. It is hoped that a Hearing can take place as near as possible to the end of the school term so that, if the Panel agrees, the children can return more or less immediately to Edinburgh.

5 Adross Street,
Inverness.

Brenda Horane

Brenda J. Crane
Social Worker

26th May, 1981

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

INVERNESS DIVISION

Social Background Report

The following person:-

Surname: CROSS

Date of Birth: 22.5.67.

Christian Names: ANGELA ISOBEL
or Forenames

Religion:

Address: c/o Reilly, 25 Temple Crescent, Inverness.

now at: Rosedene Children's Home.

Home address - Mother is c/o 19 Craigton Avenue (lodgings).

Marital State:

Occupation:

☐ to appear on 4th September, 1980 at Inverness Children's Panel ~~XXX~~

in connection with the crime or offence of Following removal under Section 44(6) Social Work Scotland
Act 1968.

Prepared by: Miss Brenda J. Donaldson Designation: Social Worker

ORDER OF COURT / DECISION OF HEARING 9.9.80 Placement at Rosedene to continue.

Events leading to transfer

On Monday 1st September Angela's mother contacted the police as Angela was seen by a neighbour leaving her family's previous home, which is boarded up, via a window. When I saw Angela and her mother shortly afterwards at her mother's lodgings Angela refused to return to the Reilly home and admitted that she had effectively run away after having left her foster home that morning, ostensibly to go to school. Angela had used her dinner money for the bus fare to the Ferry area, had taken her jeans and changed into them at her mother's old home.

Angela was determined that she would not return to her foster parents, the Reilly's, as she had, in her opinion, been unfairly treated after having fallen from her bicycle on Sunday 31st August. (Mrs. Reilly told me that Angela had been warned on several previous occasions about her dangerous antics while cycling with her friend and Mrs. Reilly had been very worried as, on this occasion, Angela had fallen off and narrowly missed a collision with a car. On her return home she (Angela) treated the incident lightheartedly although she had a grazed arm. Angela had become rude and truculent and refused to leave her room for the remainder of the day).

I took Angela to school having tried to impress on her the need not to leave a situation where it appeared she was happy (see below) simply because she was unable to accept reasonable discipline. She was seen by Miss Gillies, Assistant Rector, who also impressed on her that ~~by~~ resurgence of her previous pattern of non-attendance for home difficulties was not acceptable to the school and urged her to think carefully about her intransigent views about the Reilly's when normally she had expressed approval about her placement to Miss Gillies. Miss Gillies had in fact taken considerable interest in Angela since she commenced attending Inverness Royal Academy and as a result had witnessed the result (in terms of non attendance) of Angela's previous problems at Rosedene as well as since going to the Reilly's.

At 4 p.m. Angela's stance remained unchanged and neither my senior social worker, Mr. Richards, nor I was able to prevail on Angela to return to her foster home in spite of a visit being made with Angela to Mrs. Reilly's, where Angela refused to leave the car, or the offer of a discussion with Mrs. Reilly of the individual objections that Angela had raised, (by the end of the day Angela had given various additional reasons for not wishing to return; she said that Mrs. Reilly was "too hard," that her sons got away with bad behaviour whereas she did not, that she resented having to share a room with Mrs. Reilly's son Michael and that her pocket money had been stopped. I personally believe Angela is unable to accept discipline and is adept at rationalising her entrenched position by tenuous complaints which as a rule she has taken no opportunity to raise as complaints with me in the past in spite of regular visits, the last of which took place on 27.8.80.).

Angela's Suggestions for future care

Angela expressed a wish to go to her father's home in Edinburgh as she finally accepted that there was no chance of going to her mother or grandmother's home. She has a rather idealistic picture of her father who writes to her but whose situation so far has not been clarified as he has not been able to be effectively contact by me in spite of numerous letters and arrangements made for him to ring me.

She suggested a "boarding school" and eagerly grasped at the temporary placement at Rosedene, conveniently forgetting the difficulties which she experienced, and in fairness perhaps caused, there. The impression was gained of Angela once again blithely dropping one set of carers for another without wishing to consider the implications for the future or discuss any of the merits or problems of the past in an attempt to learn from them.

Placement at the Reilly Home

This, in my opinion, was a good experience of family life which at the time of placement it was felt Angela desperately needed. The introduction of another girl shortly afterwards, Jackie Greenaway, caused friction and Angela became jealous of, but very impressed by, the girl who encouraged her to run away on various occasions before she was eventually transferred to another children's home. These matters were not referred to the Children's Panel as it was felt Angela really had no wish to actually leave the Reilly home and very soon settled once she was returned on these occasions. In many ways Angela responded to the family situation and appeared quite settled since Jackie's departure. Although very reluctant to shed any of her deep seated self pitying feelings, stemming in her eyes from a life time of moves between carers, Angela had invested an amount of her affection etc. with the Reilly family - especially with Mr. Reilly and the younger children. She seemed to me to be progressing, albeit slowly. She had even said at intervals that she would prefer to stay with the Reilly's, rather than her parents, in the long term. Mrs. Reilly was very aware of Angela's need for attention and reassurance which was given through clothing, outings and special responsibilities but at the same time Mrs. Reilly saw a need to be firm with Angela - for example with regard to her complaining and sullenness. The latter approach often resulted in prolonged huff's on Angela's ^{part} ~~part~~. I found that it was only when Angela was in such a mood that she every complained to me about the family members and, once over the huff, she presented glowing accounts of her stay there.

Angela's needs in relation to future placements

I think Angela's relationship with the Reilly family and her statements about them illustrate the complexity of her needs as well as her personal limitations. I think Angela desperately wants attention and care but cannot cope with criticism or the distribution of attention to other children in a family situation. She is prone to manipulation of the persons who care for her by using half-tales and "divide and rule" tactics. She is similarly mixed up concerning her parents. Her mother she mostly despises but intermittently praises and seeks out when it suits her. Her father she praises, and usually blames her mother for criticising him. On the other hand she appreciates at times that her father is not really demanding her return to his care and maybe realising in herself that, for example, it is often his girlfriend, rather than he himself, who actually writes the letters to her. She occasionally praises and says she misses her brothers yet is jealous that they may get more attention than her (for example from her mother) and does not really appear to wish very much to see them.

I feel that Angela cannot remain on a long term basis at Rosedene as her demanding manipulative behaviour will once again cause dissension in such a large group. I feel that a placement in Scotsraig Children's Home is out of the question because the child Jacqueline Greenaway is placed there and such a combination would lead to disruption. The possibility of a return to her foster home is out of the question as Angela is quite confident that no one can "make her" return to the Reilly's and she would quickly disrupt this situation too.

Recommendation

I feel that the possibility of long term care needs further exploration and her father's position especially needs to be clarified, I would therefore suggest that Angela be retained, on a short term basis only, at Rosedene Children's Home while this can be done.

Brenda J Donaldson

Miss Brenda J. Donaldson,
Social Worker.

2nd September. 1980.

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

INVERNESS DIVISION

Social Background Report

The following person :-

Surname: CROSS

Date of Birth: 1) 22.5.67
2) 26.12.69 3) 30.5.72

Christian Names: 1) Angela 2) Robert 3) Angus
or Forenames

Religion:

Address: 71 West Drive

..... Inverness

Marital State: Occupation:

is to appear on Wednesday 13th February 1980 at Inverness Children's Hearing XXXXX

in connection with the crime or offence of Angela Cross - continuation

..... Robert & Angus Cross - review

Prepared by: Miss B. J. Donaldson Designation: Social Worker

~~ORDER EXCERPT~~ DECISION OF HEARING

Angela - placement at Mrs Kelly
25 Temple Cross -



Angela Cross - Resident in Rosedene

Angela's case has been reviewed by the Assessment Team and staff in Rosedene Children's Home, the conclusion in both cases being that it would be in Angela's best interests for her to be tried in a foster placement. I took Angela to meet Mrs. Reilly of 25 Temple Crescent, Inverness on 1.2.80. Angela appeared to get on well with Mrs. Reilly and one or two of the children who were at home. It is hoped that Angela will go to spend a day with the whole family on 9.2.80. There are several children in the Reilly home two of whom are foster children. It was felt that Angela as the eldest girl in this situation would receive enough attention yet not be able to divide and rule as she seems to have been able to in Rosedene.

Since the last Hearing Angela's behaviour at Rosedene has only marginally improved.

There have been several occasions on which Angela, having had disagreements with other girls in Rosedene, has refused to go to school but there has been no long term absence. Angela has also been upset by the fact that her parents divorce had at one stage reached a dispute over custody of the children. She was led to believe by her mother at one stage that her father was not seeking custody of Angela although he did want the boys. It would now appear that Mr. Cross is not applying for custody of any of the children although Angela herself is desperately keen to be allowed to go to stay with her father at some stage. It has been explained that Mr. Cross has neither housing nor employment at this stage and could not offer Angela a home. Angela corresponds with her father against her mother's wishes, Mrs. Cross's opinion being that her husband is making false promises to Angela. In many ways Angela appears hurt and confused and is using school as a weapon to draw attention to her own situation. I feel that Angela's need for a stable home situation with ample scope for constructive attention would be best met by a placement with Mrs. Reilly. I have been able to arrange one or two visits for Angela to her mother's home and perhaps this could continue if she was placed with the Reilly's. Angela would still be able to remain at Culduthel Academy.

Angus & Robert Cross - Resident at 71 West Drive

Mrs. Cross appeared in Court again on 28.1.80 when the Sheriff found the grounds of referral for the Hearing of 29.11.79 not proven. Since the referral following the Place of Safety Order on 26.11.79 there have been several incidents which would indicate that Mrs. Cross is having great difficulty caring for the boys in her home. On 3.12.79 Mrs. Cross contacted me in a rather hysterical state to ask whether I had on my earlier visit to the home removed the boys into care although when I had visited earlier there had been no-one at home. Mrs. Cross maintained that on this occasion she had broken her teeth earlier in the day and having had to go to the dentist returned in a taxi at 3.45p.m. and again at 4.30p.m. but found no children at home. She assumed that I had taken them with me. I took her to the house and searched with her neighbours and at her mother's home until approximately 6.00p.m. when the children were reported missing to the Police. Mrs. Cross said that later the boys had been found at a neighbour's house. I felt that on this occasion Mrs. Cross should have told the children where they were to go after school and put them there before the later appointment with the dentist at 5.00p.m. for the replacement of her teeth. At this stage Mrs. Cross was having to appear in the High Court as a witness in a rather protracted case.

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Conclusions and Recommendation

It would appear that arrangements for the children in the Cross home are still rather ad hoc and that Mrs. Cross has difficulty coping with the children. Nonetheless she is [REDACTED] is agreeable to Angela being fostered for a period with Mrs. Reilly which would therefore be my recommendation. [REDACTED]

8th February 1980

5 Ardross Street
Inverness

BJD/HGM

Brenda J. Donaldson
Brenda J. Donaldson
Social Worker

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL -- SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

INVERNESS DIVISION

Social Background or Report

The following person,:-

Surname: CROSS

Date of Birth: 1) 22.5.67 3) [REDACTED]

Christian Names: 1) Angela Isobella 3) [REDACTED]

or Forenames: 2) [REDACTED]

Religion:

Address: c/o Mrs. Gilmour,

2 Druid Road,

INVERNESS

Marital State:

Occupation: School Children

is to appear on Wednesday 23rd November, 1977

Inverness Children's Hearing [REDACTED]

in connection with the crime of offence of Contravention of Section 12(1) of the Children and

Young Persons (Scotland) Act, 1937

Prepared by: Mrs. Ingvild Sigstad Begg

Designation: Social Worker

FOR COURT/DECISION OF HEARING

Family

Mother - Pearl Margaret Cross (or Robertson or MacDonald)
dob 22.2.46, c/o 53 Kessock Avenue, Inverness - Housewife
Father - William MacFarlane Cross, dob 23.10.47, Corporal R.H.F.,
Edinburgh

Mother's Background

Mrs. Cross was the illegitimate daughter of a Mrs. Robertson. She is aware of having spent some time as a baby in a children's home, before being taken home when her mother married Mr. MacDonald. She attended Merkinch Primary School and Inverness High School but was on probation for truancy and theft and was later sent to Balnacraig and Balgay List 'D' Schools. When discharged Mrs. Cross left home to work in London.

Father's Background

Nothing known.

Family History

Mr. and Mrs. Cross were married in March 1968, but the marital relationship seems to have been difficult from the beginning.

From Singapore the family moved to Army quarters in Edinburgh in 1975 and in October last, Mrs. Cross moved with the children to a council house in Livingstone.

There has been frequent social work contact since their return from Singapore but both the marital relationship and the situation as a whole has just deteriorated steadily. Over the last year Mrs. Cross has only seen her husband on a few occasions and the family debt is approximately £1,000. Most of this debt Mrs. Cross left for her husband to deal with when she cleared off to Inverness. Mrs. Cross has also been in contact with a solicitor for divorce.

Mrs. Cross's Present Situation

Her present situation is that she is living with her mother and a step-brother at 53 Kessock Avenue and receives £30 a week from the Army (husband's maintenance) and £4 family allowance.

Angela

Angela was illegitimate, but later adopted by Mr. Cross. Like her mother, she spent a short time in a children's home before mother married. All the/

the children are said to have been frequently ill, but Angela's major problem stems from having been knocked down by an army bus in Singapore. This apparently caused the present "squint" and also some damage to her ear. Angela is a bed wetter.

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[REDACTED]

All three children were in care for a couple of nights approximately 2 years ago when Mrs. Cross was back in Inverness trying to get a house.

Circumstances Leading to Children Being Taken Into Care

With the situation in Livingstone deteriorating, Mrs. Cross felt desperate and decided to go to Inverness. Her house in Livingstone had no gas or electricity and most of the furniture had been taken away.

The Social Worker in Livingstone checked the situation in Inverness with our Social Work Department and Mrs. Cross was consequently told that there would be no possibility to provide accommodation for her and her children and that the only help we could offer would be to approach the Housing Department if Mrs. Cross and the children could stay with Mrs. Cross's mother. Mrs. Crilly, Social Worker in Livingstone, advised Mrs. Cross not to go to Inverness until accommodation had been secured. (This advice Mrs. Cross now denies she ever got). However, Mrs. Cross turned up on Friday, 11.11.77, with her three children having spent the night on the train from Edinburgh.

She was offered a ticket back to Livingstone, which is the normal procedure, and it was explained to her again that our department could offer no accommodation for her and her three children. At this, Mrs. Cross left the office and her three children. The children spent most of the day in our office until we eventually were able to place them in a foster home.

At the time of writing (14.11.77) they are still very unsettled and upset about their experience on Friday and the absence of their mother. Arrangements have been made for mother to visit on coming Friday, under the supervision of a Social Worker.

Assessment and Recommendation

There is no doubt that Mrs. Cross is in need of much support to be able to settle down in Inverness and have her three children returned to her. However, we are facing the difficulty of dealing with a very manipulative woman who, regrettably, will not always stick to the truth when relating incidents.

The children are all emotionally disturbed, but how seriously is difficult to say at this early stage.

When setting up a "contract" with Mrs. Cross, I have offered very little practical assistance, and made it clear that we can not, as a department, /

/as a department, provide accommodation, nor can we give financial help.

What I have offered is that her case will be brought to the attention of the Housing Link Meeting and that she can expect help to budget and practical advice on how to go about helping herself.

On the whole, I have stressed her responsibilities and my wish to help her face up to these responsibilities, and I have also stressed that I feel the need of being able to "check" the day to day situation in the family when the children are returned.

As a department, we are particularly concerned about these children and feel that a supervision order is necessary to enable us to continue keeping an eye on their development.

14th November, 1977

Ingvild Sigstad Begg
Ingvild Sigstad Begg
Social Worker

5 Ardross Street,
INVERNESS.

Social Background Report for Childrens Hearing
Social Work Scotland Act 1968 Section 39.

Date.

Mon 26/10/81

Time.

2 45 pm

Surname.	Forenames.	Date of Birth.	Age.
Cross	Angela, Robert and Angus		
Address.		Religion.	
c/o 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan			

Grounds of Referral.

To review Supervision Requirement.

Previous Appearances.

The following report is based upon information from our department's emergency duty team and two interviews with the family.

Background

Since 29/6/81 Angela, Robert and Angus have been resident with their father and his co-habitee, Sheila Boston.

Initially all three children settled well and what minor problems may have arisen over that time, Mr Cross and Mrs Boston appeared able to cope with adequately.

Our department contacted Mrs Crane, social worker, informing her that we would be unable, at that time, to allocate a social worker to supervise on Highland Region's behalf due to pressure arising from unfilled vacancies and staff holidays.

Within the past two weeks the family have encountered difficulties with Angela which came to light on 14/10/81 when Angela was found on the Forth Road Bridge by the police - she was trying to return to Inverness. At that time Mr Cross advised that Angela had been admitted overnight to hospital several days previously as she had over-dosed with tablets prescribed for bed-wetting. Both these incidents had occurred after a relatively minor disagreement at home. Angela stated that she no longer wished to reside with her father and that she wished to return to Inverness. In desperation, Mr Cross and Mrs Boston responded by advising that they were unable to continue having Angela reside with them: Angela was manifesting attention-seeking behaviour, was sulking, stating that she no longer wished to reside there. This was placing considerable strain on Mr Cross and Mrs Boston's relationship and Mrs Boston, in particular, found it increasingly difficult to respond positively to Angela.

However, I feel that a breakdown in this placement was an alternative that all parties involved would wish to avoid happening if possible.

Assessment

[REDACTED]

Angela Presently relationships between Angela and her father and Mrs Boston have deteriorated to such an extent that I feel it is essential that the immediate pressure be taken off them. It is apparent that Angela, Mr Cross and Mrs Boston need considerable support before they can be fully integrated as a family.

As such, to avoid this placement completely breaking down, it seems necessary to consider plans for Angela's voluntary reception into care with a view to tackling possible rehabilitation process into the family home.

Angela has become quite astute at manipulating Mr Cross and Mrs Boston and she is fully aware that to "get her own back" after disagreements in the family she can cause her father most upset by informing him that she no longer wishes to reside with him. When Angela is more rational about the situation she admits this is an option she would wish to avoid.

After discussion with Mr Cross and Mrs Boston, it would appear to be in Angela's best interests if she were voluntarily received into care by our department - thereby ensuring that family contact can easily be maintained and supported.

Recommendation

After discussion with Mr Richards, SSW Inverness, our department has agreed to supervise this family, on behalf of Highland Region, with an undertaking to review the situation within a period of 3-6 months. Hopefully, within this period it will become apparent whether the home base offered by Mr Cross and Mrs Boston can be seen as a viable possibility for all three children. In the light of this uncertainty, I would request that Hearing members continue the present Supervision Requirement of all three children.



E Snaddon
Social Worker

22/10/81

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL
SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT

PERSONAL DETAILS

Surname CROSS Forenames 1) Angela 2) Robert 3) Angus
Address 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan
..... Edinburgh
Date of Birth 1) 22.5.67 Occupation School children
2) [REDACTED]
Marital Status Single Religion

Report requested by

Purpose

Date and Place of Hearing

Prepared by Mrs B J Crane Designation Social Worker

Decision

The Cross children have been with their father and his cohabitee, Sheila Boston, in Edinburgh since the last Hearing of 29.6.81. The children's mother's situation has not changed and she remains unable to offer them a home.

Mr Cross remains in employment and Mrs Boston has started part time work again now that the children are at school. Their financial situation has given cause for concern i.e. while Family Income Supplement and Child Benefit and Rent Rebates are being calculated, but they are not in serious difficulties.

The children have settled well at school so far. I have spoken to staff at Castlebrae Secondary about [redacted] Angela and have been told that both have been attending regularly and appear to be coping with class work and making friends.

[redacted]

[redacted] Angela has found more difficulty in accepting discipline and ran off on one occasion recently for a few hours. On my last visit, however, Angela was keen to remain in Edinburgh and to try to work with Mrs Boston in accepting her own part in the relationship problem. It has always been felt that the family will need considerable support in handling Angela.

I have visited the children twice since their return to Edinburgh, and hope now to transfer their case to the local Social Work Team.

I would therefore respectfully request that, in view of the likelihood of these children settling permanently in Edinburgh, a Hearing be asked to transfer their supervision requirements to the appropriate Children's Panel in Edinburgh.

30 September 1981

Brenda J Crane
Brenda J Crane
Social Worker

BJC/HGM

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

INVERNESS DIVISION

Supplementary
Social Background Report

The following person:-

Date of Birth: 1) 22.5.67
2) [REDACTED]

Surname: CROSS

Christian Names: 1) Angela Isobel
2) Robert John 3) Angus Edward William Religion: [REDACTED]
or Forenames

Address: Angela - c/o Rosedene Home,

INVERNESS.

Occupation: [REDACTED]

Marital State: [REDACTED] at Inverness Children's Panel [REDACTED]

is to appear on [REDACTED]

in connection with the crime or offence of [REDACTED]

Prepared by: Mrs. M. Bailey Designation: Social Worker

~~YARDEN/KOUCHEK~~ / DECISION OF HEARING

These children were admitted to care under Section 15 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act at approximately 3.00a.m. on Saturday 9th June. All three were placed initially in Rosedene but later in the day the boys were moved to their present foster home.

The circumstances surrounding their admission have given rise to such concern that it was felt the matter should be referred to a Review Hearing.

Background to Admission

On 31st May 1979 at Inverness Sheriff Court Mrs. Cross was given a deferred sentence (to February 1980) on charges of 1) Theft by shoplifting, 2) Breach of the Peace, 3) Assault. The offences had taken place on February 23rd at which time Mr. Cross had arbitrarily stopped Mrs. Cross's army allowance and she claims to have stolen food for the children. The assault which was on the store detective, she claims was provoked.

Almost one week after this she was arrested and charged in connection with an incident at the Royal Hotel involving theft and this time was taken into custody over the weekend. She appeared in Court on Monday 11th June when sentence was deferred until trial of a co-accused on 20.9.79.

The Police went to 71 West Drive where they found the children alone in the house and took them to Rosedene. Mrs. Cross claims to have made arrangements for a baby-sitter.

Angela

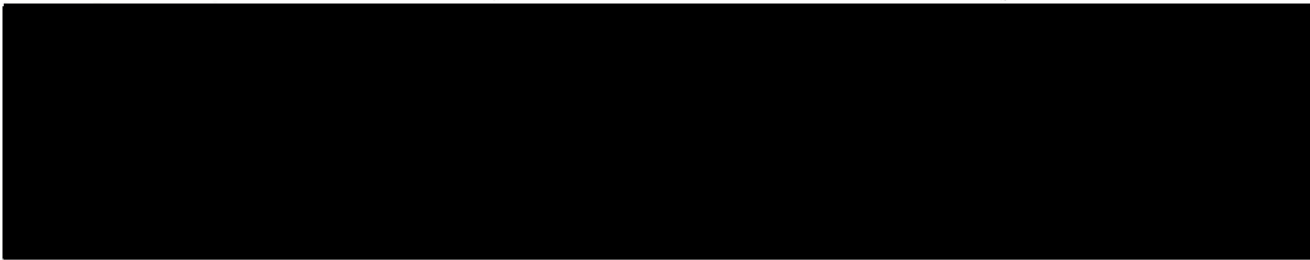
When Mrs. Cross went to Rosedene to collect Angela on 12th June and take her to stay with her grandmother, Angela became very upset and refused to leave with her mother telling the staff she wanted to stay in Rosedene. I was called to the Home and Angela freely made the following allegations.

- 1) She is afraid of her mother because she "batters" her when Angela says she is drunk. Angela showed me a bruise under her eye caused she claims, by her mother.
- 2) Mrs. Cross goes out drinking most evenings and leaves Angela in charge and blames her if anything goes wrong.
- 3) There is often no food in the house.
- 4) Angela does not like the man she describes as her mother's boyfriend who, she says, is violent towards her mother.
- 5) Mrs. Cross won't let their father come to see them.
- 6) Angela tries to look after her mother and if mother is out late Angela will go looking for her and try to bring her home.
- 7) On the night of Mrs. Cross's arrest Angela claims the house was locked and empty when the children came home from school so the boys climbed in through a window and opened the door. There was no food and so they watched television until bed time. They were awakened at 3.00a.m. by the Police. Angela was adamant that there had been no baby-sitter and that they had been alone all this time. They boys confirmed to me that they had broken in but I didn't feel I should press them further since both seemed reluctant to discuss the matter.

Mrs. Cross

I had hoped to be able to discuss Angela's statements with Mrs. Cross but so far/...

/but so far she has failed to keep the two appointments at her home that I have made with her at the time of writing (14.6.79). I did see her before I heard Angela's story and she then agreed to leave her in Rosedene since she was so very distressed at the prospect of leaving. Mrs. Cross then denied any knowledge of what was upsetting Angela except to relate it to an incident about two weeks ago when Angela was allegedly assaulted by Billy Allan, a man of unsavoury reputation, who Mrs. Cross alleged had been paying Angela and a friend to do jobs for him. This matter was referred by Mrs. Cross to the police who I understand, are still investigating. Angela was medically examined and although I don't know all the results of the examination I understand from Mrs. Cross that it suggested Angela was not sexually assaulted. Mrs. Cross alleges, however, that Angela was given alcohol and possibly drugs.



Conclusions

I am not in a position to judge how much of what Angela says is true but it is very clear that she is greatly distressed and currently determined not to return to her mother. She would be happy to talk to the Panel about this but not in front of her mother.

These problems seem to be of fairly recent origin because until about three weeks ago Angela was living apparently happily with her grandmother at 90 Lochalsh Road.

I had seen Angela on her own after the alleged assault by Mr. Allan and she had then told me that she wanted to stay at home with her mother. We do, however, have police evidence that the children were alone at 3.00a.m. on Saturday morning. I feel that Angela should certainly not be returned to her mother's care while she feels as she does. A requirement under Section 44 (1)(b) would give Angela the immediate protection she seeks but could quickly be reconsidered by a Hearing should the situation change.



15th June, 1979


Mrs. M. Bailey
Social Worker

5 Ardross Street,
INVERNESS.

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

INVERNESS DIVISION

Supplementary
Social Background Report

The following person :-

Surname: CROSS

Date of Birth: 1) 22.5.67
2) [REDACTED]

Christian Names: 1) Angela 2) Robert 3) Angus
or Forenames

Religion:

Address: 71 West Drive,
..... INVERNESS.
.....

Marital State: Single Occupation: Schoolchildren

is to appear on Monday 13th November 1978 at Inverness Children's Panel XXXXX

in connection with the crime or offence of

Prepared by: Mrs. I. S. Begg Designation: Social Worker

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Housing

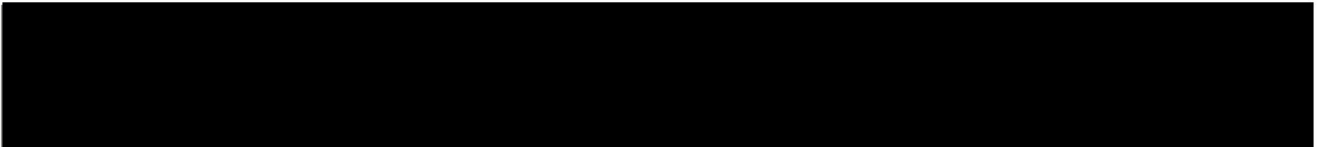
Since Mrs. Cross got her house at 71 West Drove, her situation has improved steadily. Mrs. Cross has little by little collected furniture and carpeting until it is now fair to say that she has a comfortable house, and well kept.

Financial

Mrs. Cross works at Hays Furniture 2 hours a day from Monday to Friday which gives her £8.10 per week in addition to her £30 allowance from her husband. At times she finds it hard to manage having 3 growing, boisterous children to clothe, but I am impressed by the way she is able to cope.

Children

The children seem to have settled well and there is a great improvement, particularly in Angela. She has stopped wetting herself during the day and after a long chat between mother, Angela and myself about the possibility of taking an extra clean pair of pants to school and also washing herself, Angela has changed completely. She takes a lot of care in looking after herself and likes to dress nicely. Mother on her side has encouraged this. Angela also had an eye operation in March which corrected her squint and helped in making her feel more confident. She is now waiting for word to go into hospital for her ears as she is partly deaf in both ears.



Situation in General

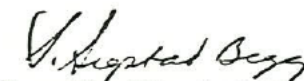
Despite the great improvement, however, Mrs. Cross has not had an easy time. There is still a lot of uncertainty regarding her husband who keeps in touch now and again. Basically I feel that Mrs. Cross would welcome the whole family being together again, but her husband is maybe not so certain.

During the summer our Department also got a message that the children were left unattended. This apparently was a misunderstanding as Mrs. Cross always leaves the children with her mother when she is working or out. Her mother was at that time just moving house and she had gone up to the house to open the door for some workmen and the children preferred to stay at home playing.

Recommendation

Recently, I have seen less of Mrs. Cross but I am of the opinion that she would welcome more contact. Her own probation order expires in December and I would therefore recommend that the supervision orders on the children be continued.

5th October, 1978


Ingvild Sigstad Begg
Social Worker

5 Ardross Street,
INVERNESS.

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT - INVERNESS DIVISION

Supplementary Report

Angela Isabella Cross 22.5.67

[REDACTED]

At the Children's Hearing on 23rd November, 1977 it was decided that the children should reside with Mrs. Gilmour until a further Children's Hearing had been held.

Mrs. Cross was allocated a house in 71 West Drive on 15th December and the children were allowed home for a few days at Christmas, and I also told Mrs. Cross that a Children's Hearing would be held in the middle of January, 1978.

On the 3rd January, Mrs. Cross had phoned Mrs. Gilmour and told her that Mr. Monaghan had given her permission to take the children home for good. Mrs. Gilmour subsequently handed over the children the same day.

I was only told about this on phoning Mrs. Gilmour on my return from holiday on 5th January and after discussing the matter with my senior, we felt that it would be of more damage to the children to uproot them again.

Since the last Children's Hearing Mrs. Cross has been back in Court and was placed on one year's probation with the condition of not entering into financial commitments without consulting the Social Worker. On the surface, Mrs. Cross is certainly cooperating, but I find it difficult to know what is really happening, as Mrs. Cross tends to be very selective in what she chooses to tell.

Mrs. Gilmour has found Angela the most difficult of the children. Both Angela [REDACTED] still wet their beds [REDACTED]. Angela has now got glasses and is supposed to be back to see the doctor in February.

In a letter from the family's G.P. in Livingston he states that Mrs. Cross was not good at keeping appointments for the children and I will therefore try to follow up the appointment for Angela.

At present, I feel that there is very little we can do except for keeping a very close eye on the situation. I am still taking the attitude that Mrs. Cross is the person responsible for the children and their needs, which means that she has to go to the Department of Health and Social Security herself - and pay her rent and electricity without our help. My role is giving advice and to be of support to the whole family and also try to find out if the children are in need of other professional help.

I would therefore recommend that the children remain with their mother, but that they are placed under the supervision of the Social Work Department.

11th January, 1978

Ingvild Sigstad Begg
Ingvild Sigstad Begg
Social Worker

5 Ardross Street,
INVERNESS.

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

INVERNESS DIVISION

Social Background Report

The following person:-

Surname: CROSS Date of Birth: 22.5.67

Christian Names: Angela Isobel Religion:
or Forenames

Address: 71 West Drive,
INVERNESS.

Currently at Rosedene Children's Home.

Marital State: Occupation:

is to appear on Wednesday 19th December 1979 at Inverness Children's Hearing XXX

in connection with the crime or offence of Review Hearing - Requested by Social Work Department

Prepared by: Miss B. J. Donaldson Designation: Social Worker

ORDER OF COURT / DECISION OF HEARING Cont F. W. Asst Team

came into care on 9.6.79 having been found unattended at her mother's home. As she was distressed and reluctant to return to her mother, the Panel on 26.6.79 made a requirement under Section 44 (1)(b) Social Work (Scotland) Act, 1968 with a condition of residence at Rosedene Children's Home. At this stage the case was then transferred to me on the departure of the previous Social Worker, Mrs. Bailey.

It would appear that Angela settled well in Rosedene initially but, in the time that I have known her, her stay has been characterised by periodic temper tantrums following her refusal to accept punishment for misbehaviour culminating in her current absence from school since 4.12.79 which I will outline later.

Soon after I met her, Angela expressed a strong wish to go to live with her maternal aunt, Mrs. Flora Tomlin. As her mother did not object, regular weekend stays were initiated and the couple were assessed and passed by this Department as suitable foster parents for Angela. Early in November, when I was on the point of requesting a Review Hearing to consider such a move, Angela announced her refusal to go to live with the Tomlin's in spite of her recent demanding and pushing behaviour towards myself and the staff at Rosedene because of her impatience to actually have the formalities over and done with and to be with the Tomlins. On several occasions she had been reprimanded for ^{including} ~~insulting~~ trouble with other girls (staying out without permission etc., for example) and her refusal to accept punishment was usually finally quelled at great loss of peace in Rosedene Home, except on one occasion when the Standby Social Worker had to arrange an over night stay in Ferintosh House after which Angela did seem temporarily chastened.

Following her refusal to go to the Tomlins she has maintained that she does not wish to go home to her mother or to leave Rosedene. She realises that her grandmother would not now accept her back, having decided not to go to live with her grandmother in preference to Mrs. Tomlin a few months ago. In addition, her grandmother feels that Angela is manipulative and would soon wish to be off with her mother or aunt or even back at Rosedene and could not contain such a situation.

Angela's mother, Mrs. Pearl Cross, has been experiencing difficulties in making appropriate arrangements for Angela's brothers, Robert and Angus, since their return to her care on 5.10.79. She is currently on Probation for the offence of theft at the time of their admission to care. She has her financial situation more or less in hand but is subject to a very tight budget. She has also had to appear at a Hearing in recent weeks, having left the boys unattended. I do not feel she is in a position to control Angela at this stage and in any case her rather ad hoc ways would only give Angela much room for manipulation, at which she is proving particularly adept while still managing to present a front of being "hard done by" by her mother.

On 3.12.79 Angela and [REDACTED] another resident at Rosedene of similar age, stayed out until 9.00p.m. when they had already been asked to return for 7.00p.m. They refused to divulge their whereabouts, refused punishment and would not go to school on 4.12.79 even after having been seen by their respective social workers. They failed to remain in school on 5.12.79 and although they agreed to return on 6.12.79 they did not do so. On Friday 7th they went to school and again ran off.

At this stage the matter was discussed with the Assistant Divisional Social Work Officer Mr. MacPhee who felt the matter would be best assessed by the Divisional Assessment Team rather than arranging admission to Ferintosh House under Section 44 (6) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act, 1968. This could not take place until 20.12.79, however, and I myself am in fact on leave till that week. At the time of writing, however, I have ascertained that Angela returned to school on Monday 10th December and is behaving acceptably at Rosedene Children's Home. Information has reached me that when Angela first went missing on Monday 3rd, she and [REDACTED] were visiting a single man, a Mr. Melville, who lives alone at Raigmore.

In spite of this temporary lull in the situation, Angela's behaviour at Rosedene has of late been placing her outwith the control of the staff and, especially in view of her recent activities outwith the Children's Home, I am concerned that she may be placing herself in moral danger. I would be glad if the Panel would review her situation but postpone making a decision until the Divisional Assessment Team meets on 20.12.79.

13th December, 1979

Re: A. W. Donaldson P.F.

Brenda J. Donaldson
Social Worker

5 Ardross Street,
INVERNESS.

BJD/HGM

LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL



CHILDREN'S PANEL

Lothian Region Reporter
A.F. Finlayson,
1/3 Howden Street, Edinburgh EH8 9HH
Telephone 031-667 9431

Mr Duncan McArthur
Officer in Charge
Canaan Lodge Children's Home
Canaan Lane
EDINBURGH

Our reference AJC/JMS

Your reference

Date 10 November 1981

Dear Mr McArthur

ANGELA CROSS (22 5 67)

I understand that Angela is presently residing in care with you. Her supervision order has been transferred to us from Highland Region and is due to be reviewed by a Children's Hearing on Monday 7 December 1981 at 6.00 p.m. [REDACTED]

We would be glad to have a report from you about Angela and would welcome a member of staff at the hearing.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Alison J Cunningham'.

Alison J Cunningham
Divisional Reporter - Edinburgh East

If telephoning please ask for

All communications to be addressed to the Reporter

C.P.1

*Notification of children's hearing to child required to
attend hearing. Rule 7.*

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

To
Angela Cross
c/o Canaan Lodge
Canaan Lane
EDINBURGH

You have been referred to a children's hearing for the Lothian Region

to review supervision requirement dated 29 6 81 made at Inverness and
transferred to a Hearing of Lothian Region by a Children's Hearing for
Highland Region on 26 October 1981

You are required in terms of section 40(1) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to attend
the hearing

on (date) Monday 7 December 1981

at (time) 6.00 p.m.

at (place) Children's Hearings Centre, 1/3 Howden Street, Edinburgh

Please read the Notes set out below

... 10 November ... 19 81

Al Cunningham
ALISON J CUNNINGHAM *Reporter*

NOTES

A children's hearing is a group of three people specially selected for their interest and concern in understanding and helping children who are in trouble. They meet to discuss with a child and his parents any difficulties that may have arisen, to discover the reasons for these difficulties and to find an answer which is in the best interests of the child. In some cases this may involve compulsory supervision or even removal from home. Further information on the hearing is set out in the leaflet entitled 'To tell you about the Children's Hearing' a copy of which accompanies this notification.

When the children's hearing are discussing your case, they will want to find out your views and you may, if you wish, bring with you to the hearing someone to help you in discussing your difficulties and what might be done. The personal expenses of this representative (but not any fees) may be refunded if they are not less than fifteen pence (15p).

Your own personal expenses (but not any loss of earnings) in coming to the hearing may be refunded if those expenses, together with any expenses of your parent(s) in coming to the hearing are not less than fifteen pence (15p).

If you do not attend the hearing, steps may be taken, including possibly your detention, to make sure that you do appear before a hearing. If there is a very good reason, such as illness, why you will be unable to attend the hearing, you should contact the reporter at:

CHILDREN'S HEARINGS CENTRE
1-3 Howden Street
Edinburgh
EH8 9HH
(Tel 031 667 9431)

76 High Street
Bonnyrigg
EH19 2AE
(Tel. 031-663 8594)

Court Square
Linlithgow
EH49 7EQ
(Tel Linlithgow 4701)

LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL



CHILDREN'S PANEL

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Telephone 031-667 9431

Mr D McArthur
Officer in Charge
Canaan Lodge Children's Home

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

..... 7 December 19 81

A children's hearing for the Lothian Region by way of variation of [and in substitution for] the supervision requirement dated¹ 29 6 81

to which² Angela Cross, c/o Canaan Lodge Children's Home
 is subject, hereby require her father: 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan, Edinburgh
 [to reside in³ Canaan Lodge Children's Home]

[to be under the supervision of⁴ a social worker to be nominated by the
 Director of Social Work, Lothian Region]

subject to the conditions noted below and the said requirement dated 29 6 81
 is hereby revoked.

..... Alan Graham
Chairman of the children's hearing

CONDITIONS REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT

1. The child is required to observe the rules of conduct of the residential establishment.
2. The requirement to reside is subject to the discretion of the managers of the residential establishment to grant leave of absence from time to time.

..... Alan Graham
Chairman of the children's hearing

¹ Date of previous supervision requirement

² Name of child

³ Name of residential establishment

⁴ Name of local authority or other supervisor

LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

CONSENT FORM - HOLIDAYS/OUTDOOR PURSUITS

CHILDREN IN CARE OF LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Child's Full Name ANGELA CROSS

Child's Present Address % CANAAN LODGE

I hereby give my consent to my DAUGHTER (State relationship)
participating in holidays and outings while he/she remains in the care of the
Lothian Region, as may be approved by the Director of Social Work or his prescribed
representative.

I understand that this consent applies within the period 1st January to
31st December and will require to be renewed annually. In the event of my
being unobtainable to renew the consent, I authorise the Director of Social Work
or his prescribed representative to sign on my behalf.

I also give my consent to the administration of medical, surgical and
anaesthetic treatment as may prove necessary.

I give my consent to his/her participation in the activities listed below
please tick (✓) activities you consent to and cross (X) those you do not
consent to.

SWIMMING	ROCK CLIMBING	RIDING
CANOEING	HILL WALKING	CYCLING
SAILING	SKI-ING/ TOBOGGANING	FLYING
WATER SPORTS	SKATE BOARDING	OTHERS (please specify)

(Full Name) Signature A. Cross
(PARENT/GUARDIAN)

(Full Name) Signature E. Snodden
(WITNESS)

Date 25/1/82

CASTLEBRAE HIGH SCHOOL

Name Angela Cross

Register Class 3K

Date Dec 81

Subject	Level	Assessment	Comment	Teacher's Initials
ENGLISH	O.		Angela works well in class but could do better. Must tackle the work more positively and try to improve.	C.O.
ARITHMETIC	O	V	FINDS THIS WORK DIFFICULT.	gjk
MATHS	CSE	D	STRUGGLING HERE.	
PHYSICAL EDUCATION			very good indeed. Angela works well and is improving greatly. Very nice girl to teach	JA
FABRIC + FASHION	CSE	D	Angela can work quite well but tends to give up easily.	
ART	O	B	Above average work	MK
Secretarial Studies	Pitman	D	Angela tries hard, making slow progress.	JB
HISTORY	CSE	D	Angela tries hard, but could do better. Her behaviour could improve. Little Progress so far	JD

Level
 SYS — Sixth Year Studies
 'H' — Highers
 'O' — 'O'-grades
 CSE — Cert. of Secondary Education
 LC — Lothian School Certificate

Assessment

	SYS, LC and all Third Year	CSE, 'O' & 'H'
A	Well above average	Almost sure pass
B	Above average	Probable Pass
C	Average	Borderline
D	Below Average	Doubtful pass
U	Well below average	Unlikely to pass

House Report

Angela has settled down well in Castlebrae and seems very happy with us.

She tends to be easily distracted and loses concentration.

A little more effort with studies should show an improvement next term.

W. Gordon

Attendance (each day counts as two attendances)

Total Possible Attendances 194

Number of Absences 12

Time-Keeping — satisfactory / improving / unsatisfactory

To be completed by Parents or Guardians:—

Comment by Parents:—

If you would like to visit School to discuss this report, please 'phone 661 1282 to make an appointment.

You are invited to a Parents Night in the Senior School on 3rd FEB 1982.

at 7⁰⁰ p.m.

I have seen my son's / daughter's report and will see that it is returned to the School

Signature

Angela's
W. Gordon
 Guardian

*Instrument continuing supervision requirement.
(Rule 22).*

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

.....10.1.1983

Angela Cross (22.5.67)
Hawthornbrae CH

A children's hearing for the Lothian Region considering that [the foregoing supervision requirement] or [the supervision requirement attached and docqueted with reference hereto] is due to expire on¹ 25.6.83

and being satisfied that it is proper so to do, hereby continue the said requirement in force.

.....*G. Davis*.....
Chairman of the children's hearing

¹ Insert date being one year from the making or last review of the requirement whichever last occurred

Report for Review to be held on 10th January 1983

Name of child: ANGELLA CROSS

Date of birth: 22.5.67

Date of admission: 17.3.82

Place of residence: Hawthornbrae Home for children

The attached report was written for a review called by Hawthornbrae because of Angie's behaviour within the unit.

Since writing this report Angella's behaviour has improved slightly. Contact with her family has also increased with Angella going to stay with her relations in Glasgow for one week over Christmas. Whilst there she will see her dad and brothers.

Angella still tends to lose her temper easily. She frequently threatens our younger residents.

Her involvement with boys has also increased. She went out with four boys one night and came back drunk - one of the boys was over 24. This gave us great cause for concern.

Shona Armstrong
Key Worker

Name of Child: ANGELLA CROSS

Date of birth: 22.5.67

Date of admission: 17.3.82

Place of residence: Hawthornbrae Home for children

Since the last review there has been no evidence to suggest that Angella is settling down at Hawthornbrae. There have been, however, a few occasions when Angella has displayed the friendly side of her character. When this happens she shows an almost "angelic" character, when she is pleasant to everyone and cannot do enough to help staff. Unfortunately, these pleasant spells, which are rather short lived, always follow after a period of disruptive behaviour and appear to be Angie's way of manipulating staff to overlook the previous bad spell. The disruptive periods generally consist of a rude, abusive attitude to staff, when Angie will not conform to any rules of the Home. On several occasions she has stayed out all night; on the last occasion coming boldly in in the morning to wash her hair before going to school. Her instances of staying away are becoming more frequent; the police have had to be notified on many occasions, and in particular, three times within the last month. Angie exerts a great deal of influence on the other residents at Hawthornbrae and can be very aggressive towards them. She is particularly aggressive to the children smaller than herself and on occasion has been very violent towards them.

SCHOOL

Because of her virtual non-attendance since the start of the session at Castlebrae, Angie was transferred to Portobello High School on 11th October, a move that Angie had been trying to achieve for some time. Things seemed to go well for the first two weeks but she was then involved in a very serious incident in a classroom, involving a teacher. Although the trouble was initiated by other pupils who were eventually suspended, Angie used the occasion to become involved, and was fortunately allowed back into the school after an interview with the head teacher. At a recent parents' night Angie's teachers all gave a good report of her first weeks at school.

FAMILY CONTACT

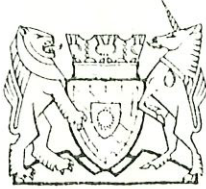
Angella phones her father once a week from Hawthornbrae. It is difficult however to know just how Angie views her dad and her brothers. In conversations with staff Angie often says she would like to visit them in Glasgow. After Angie has had a period of troublesome behaviour she will use the subject of her "little brothers" as a means of diverting the conversation. She has had no recent contact with Inverness at all.

TRAINING FOR INDEPENDENCE

At first Angie was very keen to do her own shopping and cooking, and this has been in progress now for about three months. Over this time it has been noticeable that Angie has lost interest in preparing her own food. She has been reluctant to take advice, saying that she doesn't need to be shown how to cook. It would appear that Angie only sees the Training for Independence Programme as another means of doing just what she likes.

This report seems to be rather depressing and it is for this reason that the review has been called. It is not our wish that any child, especially one like Angie who has suffered rejection so many times, should ever be asked to leave. The situation in Hawthornbrae, however, does not lend itself readily to deal with constant night-time disruption of the kind that Angie has been involved in. As already stated Angie has not settled down in Hawthornbrae and she does not appear to accept Hawthornbrae as her Home.

It is felt that Angie, who is now approaching 16, should be taking more responsibility for the consequences of her actions. If indeed she does wish to remain at Hawthornbrae we would be happy to continue to have her here if she would be prepared to enter into some form of contract between herself, staff and social worker. There is a pleasant and attractive side to Angie's character and we would be delighted to have the opportunity of helping her to develop it, but this would require a great deal more cooperation and effort on Angie's part.



Lothian Region Reporter
A.F. Finlayson,
1/3 Howden Street, Edinburgh EH8 9HH
Telephone 031-667 9431

Mrs Maxwell
Officer In Charge
Hawthornbrae Children's Home
46 The Causeway
Duddingston Village
Edinburgh

Our reference AJN/VS

Your reference

Date 8th December 1982

Dear Mrs Maxwell

ANGELA CROSS (22.5.67)

I write to advise that arrangements have been made for a Hearing for
Angela Cross to be held on Monday 10th January 1983 at 3.30 p.m.

If the date or time is inconvenient please advise as soon as possible
so that other arrangements may be considered. A progress report would
be appreciated, if possible a week ahead of the Hearing, for prior
circulation to the Hearing members.

The Hearing looks forward to welcoming a member of staff at the Hearing.

Formal notification is enclosed.

Yours sincerely

Alison J Newman

ALISON J NEWMAN (MRS)
Divisional Reporter - Edinburgh East

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If telephoning please ask for

All communications to be addressed to the Reporter

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

To Angela Cross
c/o Hawthornbrae Children's Home
46 The Causeway
Duddingston Village
Edinburgh

You have been referred to a children's hearing for the Lothian Region

to review at the request of the Local Authority under Section 48(2) of the
Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 Supervision Requirement dated 25.6.82

You are required in terms of section 40(1) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 to attend
the hearing

on (date) Monday 10th January 1983

at (time) 3.30 p.m.

at (place) Children's Hearing Centre, 1-3 Howden Street, Edinburgh

Please read the Notes set out below

8th December.....1982.....

Alison J Newman

ALISON J NEWMAN (MRS) DIVISIONAL Reporter

NOTES

A children's hearing is a group of three people specially selected for their interest and concern in understanding and helping children who are in trouble. They meet to discuss with a child and his parents any difficulties that may have arisen, to discover the reasons for these difficulties and to find an answer which is in the best interests of the child. In some cases this may involve compulsory supervision or even removal from home. Further information on the hearing is set out in the leaflet entitled 'To tell you about the Children's Hearing' a copy of which accompanies this notification. When the children's hearing are discussing your case, they will want to find out your views and you may, if you wish, bring with you to the hearing someone to help you in discussing your difficulties and what might be done. The personal expenses of this representative (but not any fees) may be refunded if they are not less than fifteen pence (15p). Your own personal expenses (but not any loss of earnings) in coming to the hearing may be refunded if those expenses, together with any expenses of your parent(s) in coming to the hearing are not less than fifteen pence (15p). If you do not attend the hearing, steps may be taken, including possibly your detention, to make sure that you do appear before a hearing. If there is a very good reason, such as illness, why you will be unable to attend the hearing, you should contact the reporter at:

CHILDREN'S HEARINGS CENTRE

1-3 Howden Street
Edinburgh
EH8 9HH
(Tel 031 667 9431)

53 George IV Bridge
Edinburgh
EH1 1EJ
(Tel 229 9292 Ext 2996)

76 High Street
Bonnyrigg
EH19 2AE
(Tel 663 8594)

Court Square
Linlithgow
EH49 7EQ
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Bathgate
EH48 1BA
(Tel Bathgate 632741)

Edinburgh Division

Child in Care Review Report (CCRI)

TO: AREA OFFICE/ESTABLISHMENT
AREA OFFICER/OFFICER-IN-CHARGE

Child's Name Angella Cross		Date of Birth 22.5.77
Placement Hawthornbrae		Officer in Charge Moina Maxwell
Social Worker Miriam Vickers		Area 3
Review Date 17-11-82 3:45 pm	Place Hawthornbrae	

The report should include the following:-

- a) Changes and developments since the last review, including dates of visits by Social Worker.
Contact with family.
Date of last medical and child's health.
Date of last school report and progress at school.
Date of placement at present address.
- b) Present situation.
- c) Future Plans. (including: Should a request be made for an earlier review hearing?
Should parental rights be assumed?)

Report

The last review for Angella was held on 29-6-82. This review was requested by Mrs. Maxwell because of concerns she and other members of staff have about Angie's behaviour.

FAMILY

Mr. Cross and [REDACTED] continued to reside at 5/4 Craigmillar Castle Loan until the beginning of September when they went to live in Glasgow. Mr. Cross's relationship with Sheila Boston deteriorated when she went to Germany and contacts became much more regular between Angella and her brothers although there was some question about Angella using this contact as a cover to do her own thing. Angella went to her grandmother in Inverness for two weeks during July. Mrs. MacDonald, the maternal grandmother seems to have kept a tight rein on Angella's activities and Margaret Lachlan, the Inverness social worker, thought Angella's holiday went remarkably well. I believe Mr. Cross was in touch with Angella (by telephone) while she was up there. Angella's description of her holiday was very negative, going on at length about what she was not allowed to do and how she would never go back, etc. A subsequent telephone call from the social worker in Inverness made known the fact that the grandmother would leave Angella to make any further contact.

Contact resumed between father, brothers and Angie when she returned. It was necessary for me to see Mr. Cross in order to have planned contact between Angie and her family. This was because it was felt that Angie was using contact with her family inappropriately. It was explained to Mr. Cross and Angie that she could not use her family in order to have things all her own way and in particular being answerable to no one. At that time, Mr. Cross said he had asked Angie to return to his care and subsequent discussion with Angie bore this out although Angie said she wanted to remain in care until she was ready to go into accommodation of her own. A plan for contact was worked out with Mr. Cross and Mr. Cross discussed his own financial problems with me - at that time, he said his mother would be coming through to Edinburgh to watch Angus and Robert for 2 weeks while he was at the territorial army. The following weekend, Angie again used contact with her family inappropriately. Mrs. Cross's mother did not come through and it would appear that Sheila Boston's help was enlisted to look after the boys for two weeks. Angella contacted the police who contacted Mr. Cross at the Territorial Army and he returned. The end product of this was to have Mr. Cross say that Angie was to have no further contact with her

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about her needs for stability and there followed on a six or seven weeks period when there were no problems with Angie staying out at night although she was refusing to attend Castlebrae despite attempts by Leslie McCall, Mrs. Stewart the attendance officer, staff at Hawthornbrae and I attempting to reason out with her the (lack of) wisdom in her refusal to return to Castlebrae. Angie blamed extenuating circumstances on her behaviour and a few weeks after she stopped attending Castlebrae there was an incident between Angie and a girl at Castlebrae of a fist fight at Hawthornbrae. Angie was eventually registered at Portobello High at her request. Angie was reported as getting on well with everyone at Hawthornbrae although there was concern that Angie was seen attempting to sell glasses to a neighbour near Hawthornbrae. Angie also gave a present to a former member of staff which could only be property of a pub.

There was an incident in September of Angie sneaking in and out of Hawthornbrae via her bedroom window where she was reported missing. On that occasion she was very cheeky to Police. On another occasion she and another girl had apparently sneaked some boys into "the bedsit" and the boys were seen leaving via the fire escape. More recently there have been two incidents when Angie has stayed out overnight without permission, once when she stayed with the Purves family at Craigmillar Castle Terrace - a visit to them to sort out the terms of Angie staying overnight was paid and Angie was not particularly pleased about this. Angie and another girl at Hawthornbrae spent a night out recently where boys were involved and again Angie refuted the fact that she should have to make up for this behaviour - it was suggested that she should be kept in over the weekend for this.

Visits to Hawthornbrae have pointed to the fact that Angie feels that people are there to "do" for her and she has difficulty in understanding why her commitment is needed in order for staff at Hawthornbrae to help prepare her for independence. Although Angie is now cooking and buying her own food, etc. concern has been expressed that she is not using this opportunity to prepare for independence very productively. Angie has generally avoided facing the fact that people need to trust her if she is to be given opportunities to develop her independence.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above, staff at Hawthornbrae feel that they want to discuss what they are doing for Angie and indeed what she is doing with them and Mrs. Maxwell has suggested the use of a contract, as a last resort, might be instrumental in behaviour management. I would, however, question whether a contract is warranted at this time given the fact that it is likely to be used as a "last chance" mechanism. Although Angie is very much into giving people a run for their money, there are many teenagers in and out of care who do the same. Clearly, her avoidance of making relationships which involve shared expectations is an indication of how strongly defense mechanisms figure in her behaviour; however, this is something which takes a lot of patience and tenacity in order to tackle and I believe this was evident at the time of Angie's transfer to Hawthornbrae and should be recognised in this light.

Miriam E. Vickers

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16/11/82

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J. H. PURVES, M.A., Headteacher

Edinburgh Division

12th Nov 1982

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Our reference

Your reference

Angus K. Ross

Dear Mrs Purves,

Angus seems to have

settled reasonably well but when
we consider the previous record
of attendance at school.

Mrs Purves our Deputy Head,
was delighted when she saw the
improvement and as I had Angus
in my class at the time, she spoke
to me and complimented me.

However, there was an incident
in a maths class when Angus's
behaviour caused concern. As time

and we will be forthcoming with
a letter for Mrs Maxwell telling
an interview with her takes on
Monday 5th December. Angela will give
a letter. Mrs Maxwell will be
able to give more details of this
incident.

What a joy I have found Angela to
be pleasant and polite, and I hope
she will maintain this.

I am sorry I am unable to attend
the funeral on Wednesday 17th but
I have a previous engagement
Yours sincerely,

J. Marshall

(Hensonmother)

C/ES/GLPD

19th May 1982

Mrs Pearl Cross
c/o McDonald
90 Lochalsh Road
INVERNESS

Dear Mrs Cross

Further to your phone call on Friday 14th May when you told me that your mother would like to offer Angela a permanent home with her.

Would you advise Ms McDonald to put this in writing to myself at the above address. Our department will look into this and be in contact with her.

Angela is presently living at Hawthornbrae Children's Home and is on supervision to the Children's Hearings. Before she could move from there a hearing would have to be called and Hearing members agree to any such move. As you are probably aware this can take a bit of time as hearing members and our department would wish to assure ourselves that this is in Angela's best interests.

Angela advises me that on a previous occasion when she was resident at Rosedene that her grandmother, Mrs McDonald offered her a permanent home. I believe that Inverness Social Work Department looked into the situation. Therefore, Ms McDonald is probably aware of what such a process entails.

For the moment, I would suggest that you discuss this with your mother and, if she wishes to pursue the possibility of offering Angela a permanent home, that she puts this in writing and addresses it to myself.

Yours sincerely

Evelyn Snaddon
SOCIAL WORKER

C/ES/GLPD

31st May 1982

Mrs F MacDonald
90 Lochalsh Road
INVERNESS

Dear Mrs MacDonald

I received your letter of 20th May which stated you would like Angella to come and stay with you.

As Inverness is such a long distance away I'll be getting in contact with your local social work office to ask them to visit you to discuss this further with you.

Perhaps it would be an idea to consider Angella coming up to stay with you for a short while over the summer and we could take things from there dependant upon how it went.

Regards.

Yours sincerely

Evelyn Snaddon
SOCIAL WORKER

C/ES/SM

4 June 1982

Mr Barry Richards
Senior Social Worker
Highland Regional Council
13 Ardross Street
INVERNESS IV3 5NX

Dear Barry

Re: Angella Cross, ex Rosedene Children's Home, Inverness
Presently: c/o Hawthornbrae Children's Home, 46 The Causeway, Edinburgh

I am sure you will remember this case from last year when yourself, Brenda Crane and ourselves were looking for a suitable long term resource for Angella. Angella was transferred to Hawthornbrae on 15 March '82 on Section 44 (1)(b) Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 following a Children's Hearing on that day.

Since then she has settled reasonably well and her behaviour has fluctuated between being reasonably good to being quite defiant and disruptive. Over the Easter holidays Angella had a particularly disruptive spell when she was spending the majority of her time with a new group of local friends: she was seldom at the Children's Home; disobeyed time-limits when she was due back; Angella herself stated she wanted to be transferred to the Assessment Centre or List D School as she wasn't happy at Hawthornbrae. The situation stabilized again and Angella's behaviour improved - I feel that her previous behaviour was a result of her loyalties being divided between the Children's Home and her new friends and that she came down clearly on the side of her friends.

A week or so later, Angella had absconded from the Children's Home with another two girls who were resident there. Staff felt that Angella wasn't instrumental in this but that she had followed suit. The girls stayed for several days at various relatives of one of the girls - the relatives resided in the Edinburgh area. All the girls went back voluntarily and Angella appeared to be the most willing to return. Since then the situation has stabilised again and Angela seems quite happy.

Throughout her period in care in our region, Angella has been anxious to have contact with her relatives in Inverness and we advised her that we would look into this when she had settled down at Hawthornbrae. However, following a phone call by Angella to her grandmother. Mrs Cross has been in contact with myself advising that Angella's grandmother would like Angela to come and stay with her. Mrs McDonald has confirmed this in writing. I explained to Mrs Cross that we would have to assure ourselves that such a move would be in Angella's best interests and that it was the Children's Hearing who would have the final say in the matter.

I would be grateful if you could arrange for someone to visit Mrs McDonald, 90 Lochalsh Road, Inverness, to discuss this with her more fully and thereby

give our department a fuller assessment of the situation and whether this may be viable. Also, I would be grateful if you could supply us with any information that you may have on record regarding Mrs McDonald's suitability for care of Angella. I was lead to believe from both Angella and Brenda Crane, Social Worker, that your department had, at one stage, been in the process of placing Angella with her grandmother but Angella backed out of this at the last moment.

Meanwhile, we feel that it might be worthwhile to consider a holiday for Angella at her grandmother's over the summer holidays but will await a reply from your department before making a more definite plan for this.

I enclose copies of recent letters which may also be helpful.

Yours sincerely

E Snaddon
Social Worker