

# David Standish - Evidence Review and Page Schedule

Review of Casenotes, Children's Panel & Hearing, Misc, Reports (4), and Social Work Info Sheets. Page references are PDF page numbers. Highlighted copies use translucent yellow boxes around relevant passages.

| Topic                            | Main finding                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Placement / eligibility          | Strong documentary proof of a three-week assessment placement at Burnside House Assessment Centre, Dundee, from 24 May 1984 to 14 June 1984, authorised by a Children's Hearing. A home supervision requirement under section 44(1)(a) followed. |
| Physical abuse / punishment      | Records describe corporal punishment at Morgan Academy on numerous occasions, use of the belt, and parental physical chastisement. The records do not identify an assault at Burnside House.                                                     |
| Sexual abuse                     | No explicit or indirect allegation of sexual abuse was identified in the supplied documents.                                                                                                                                                     |
| Emotional / psychological impact | Behavioural difficulties, anxiety in the family, psychiatric referral, family therapy, an "air of depression" in the household, anger about peer treatment, and school underachievement are recorded.                                            |
| Neglect / institutional failure  | No clear evidence of basic-care or medical neglect at Burnside House was identified. One record says he was always hungry and tired easily, but it does not attribute this to deprivation or neglect.                                            |
| Contradictory / neutral evidence | Burnside observations describe him as quiet, cooperative and approachable; later records report marked improvement after return home. These neutral entries should be addressed alongside any allegation.                                        |

## Detailed page-reference schedule

| Document                   | PDF page | Date / period      | Author / role                  | Care setting                             | Category                | Factual extract / relevance                                                                                                                                        | Evidential value                       |
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| Children's Panel & Hearing | 7        | 24 May 1984        | Chair, Children's Hearing      | Burnside House Assessment Centre         | Placement / legal basis | Hearing requires David Standish to reside at Burnside House, 24 May to 14 June 1984, for investigation and assessment.                                             | Direct proof of placement              |
| Children's Panel & Hearing | 8        | 25 May 1984        | Reporter                       | Burnside House                           | Placement               | Present address is Burnside House; case continued until 14 June 1984 and child to remain there.                                                                    | Direct proof of residence              |
| Misc                       | 1        | 24 May-14 Jun 1984 | Social work index              | Burnside House Assessment Centre, Dundee | Placement / identity    | Index gives full name David Andrew Standish, DOB 5 Mar 1970, Burnside address from 24 May 1984 and return home 14 June 1984; social workers S. Bowden and H. Gunn. | Direct proof of identity and placement |
| Social Work Info Sheets    | 6        | 24 May-14 Jun 1984 | Social work record             | Burnside House, Thomsens Road, Dundee    | Placement / transfer    | Placement address Burnside House; case opened 24 May; change of address back to 40 Ellengowan Drive on 14 June following Hearing decision.                         | Direct proof of admission/discharge    |
| Reports (4)                | 5        | 21 May 1984        | Stephen Bowden, Social Worker  | Proposed Burnside placement              | Placement rationale     | Recommends a three-week continuation so residential assessment at Burnside House and Child & Family Psychiatry referral can occur.                                 | Corroborative placement evidence       |
| Reports (4)                | 6        | 24 May 1984        | Social worker / hearing record | Burnside House                           | Hearing decision        | Grounds accepted; disposal records temporary assessment at Burnside House and referral to Child Psychiatry.                                                        | Direct legal/placement evidence        |
| Reports (4)                | 7-10     | 25 May 1984        | Medical record                 | Burnside House                           | Medical / residence     | Admission medical examination and weight/height record dated 25 May 1984; condition generally recorded as good.                                                    | Medical corroboration of residence     |

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| Reports (4)                | 11-13    | May-Jun 1984        | Assessment meeting / professionals | Burnside House          | Psychological impact / neutral evidence | Quiet and cooperative on admission; always hungry and tires easily; peer difficulties, anger at being singled out; family referred to Child Psychiatry; debate over continued residence. | Impact and neutral evidence                       |
| Casenotes                  | 1        | Jul-Aug 1984        | H. Gunn, Social Worker             | Post-Burnside / home    | Aftercare / impact                      | Marked improvement in behaviour and home atmosphere since return from three-week Burnside assessment; family attending Child Psychiatry.                                                 | Corroborative impact and aftercare                |
| Social Work Info Sheets    | 9        | 1984-1985           | H. Gunn, Social Worker             | Home after Burnside     | Aftercare / supervision                 | Confirms three-week Burnside assessment, return home, family therapy, ongoing social-work support and later review of supervision.                                                       | Corroborative placement and aftercare             |
| Children's Panel & Hearing | 1-2      | 1983-1984           | Police / juvenile liaison report   | Home and Morgan Academy | Physical punishment / behaviour         | States physical chastisement featured on father's punishment list and records absconding, police tracing, suspensions and behavioural concerns.                                          | Direct record of chastisement; not Burnside abuse |
| Reports (4)                | 2        | School year 1983-84 | Morgan Academy representative      | Morgan Academy          | Physical punishment / education         | School report states corporal punishment was received on numerous occasions; fighting, smoking, truancy and refusal of punishment exercises are listed.                                  | Direct evidence of school corporal punishment     |
| Casenotes                  | 3-4      | Oct 1984            | H. Gunn, Social Worker             | Morgan Academy / home   | Physical punishment                     | Parents said David had already been belted; school explained policy change meant misdemeanours would not automatically be dealt with by the belt.                                        | Direct contemporaneous record of belt punishment  |
| Reports (4)                | 1-2      | 1982-1984           | School report                      | Morgan Academy          | Education / life impact                 | Attendance substantially below possible sessions; poor academic progress, truancy, lateness, two suspensions and underachievement.                                                       | Impact evidence                                   |
| Casenotes                  | 6-7      | 1985                | H. Gunn / school                   | Home / Morgan Academy   | Neutral / contradictory                 | Home described as stable; behaviour improved; later suspension for swearing, then return after apology; supervision requirement recommended for termination.                             | Neutral and contradictory context                 |
| Social Work Info Sheets    | 12       | 16 May 1985         | Children's Hearing                 | Home                    | Legal outcome                           | Annual review records termination of section 44(1)(a) supervision requirement.                                                                                                           | Direct discharge/legal outcome                    |

**Important limitation:** the supplied material does not contain an explicit allegation of sexual abuse, abuse by Burnside House staff, or clear evidence of neglect at Burnside House. Corporal punishment references concern Morgan Academy and parental punishment. Handwriting and faint scans create some uncertainty; original records should be checked where exact wording is critical.