

CLIENTS NAME: Tommy and Lisa Tarbett

SHEET No.20

15.2.84	Telephone call to Bill Black OIC Carolina House to tell him of this suggestion. From this telephone call an agreement was reached that the meeting to look at fostering for Tommy and Lisa take place on Wednesday 22 February at 9.30. I then telephoned F. Cura to confirm this and also informed C. Anderson. G. McIntosh JRA. 8/3/84.
12.3.84	Gaseates and A.O.16 checked - former not quite up-to-date, but will be noted at Review to be held at Carolina House this date. See recommendations of same re future plans/work. F. Cura, A.M.
20.2.84	Evening visit to Tommy and Lisa at Carolina House. I gave Tommy and Lisa some money that they could phone Derek and Graham at Rossie School. This was something they had wanted to do for a while. Unfortunately Graham was not available at the time they phoned but they spent some 10 minutes speaking to Derek on the phone and seemed to enjoy this immensely. G. McIntosh
22.2.84	Case discussion at Carolina House re fostering for Tommy and Lisa - those present - myself, Cliff Anderson, S.S.W., Frank Cura Asst F.M., Bill Black O.I.C., and Lynn Craig Key Worker. The consensus of the group was that Tommy and Lisa should be fostered as soon as is feasible. It is felt that the placement should be a long-term fostering one and that placement should be local i.e. Dundee as both children wish this and have still strong links with Dundee and both have links with the family and wish this to be maintained. The result of this meeting to be relayed to Ann Crawford, Fieldwork Manager by Frank Cura. G. McIntosh
24.2.84 to 4.3.84	Social Worker on Annual leave. G. McIntosh
8.3.84	I was informed by Cliff Anderson, S.S.W. that he had been told by Frank Cura that Ann Crawford wished adoption to be considered for the Tarbett children and was not keen on Dundee being the placement area for the children. Later evening visit to Carolina House. I saw Tommy and Lisa who were both in good spirits. I had a brief discussion with Bill Black regarding the fostering issue and told him of what I had been informed was Ann Crawford's opinion about the matter. We both felt that this issue could be discussed and sorted out at the forthcoming Review on 12.3.84 at which Ann Crawford was expected to attend. G. McIntosh
9.3.84	AOL6s prepared for forthcoming Review - see under appropriate Report Section in file. G. McIntosh
12.3.84	Reviews on Tommy and Lisa. Unfortunately Ann Crawford did not attend this meeting as there appeared to be some communication mix up and therefore there was no resolution of the differences of opinion, however the Review group reiterated its feelings regarding long-term fostering for Tommy and Lisa within the Dundee area. Tommy and Lisa attended the Reviews and in answering some of the questions put to them reinforced the feelings of the group regarding their future. Both children had also done some worthwhile written work in /-

answers to questions set for them by Lynn Craig the Residential Key Worker.
For details of this see under Report Section in file, attached to AO15.

G. McIntosh

16.3.84 Prepared fostering profile on Tommy and Lisa and this was sent to Ann Bell the Homefinder for Dundee West. For details see under appropriate section in file.

G. McIntosh

21.3.84 Phone call to Audrey Salters, Homefinder Dundee East regarding the possibility of Tommy and Lisa being part of a forthcoming fostering preparation group. Audrey said that she would be pleased to consider the children and we agreed to talk about it again in the future when some outstanding issues had been resolved.

Later evening visit to Carolina House, during which I took photographs of Tommy and Lisa for the fostering profile.

G. McIntosh

27.3.84 Evening visit to Tommy and Lisa at Carolina House. Main purpose of this visit was to tie up details for Tommy's Easter visit to his foster friends in Edinburgh. It was proposed by Lynn Craig and thought reasonable by myself for Tommy to go to Edinburgh from the 5th to 8th. I agreed to put this to Mr and Mrs Anderson by telephone and if agreed to make practical arrangements for this.

G. McIntosh

29.3.84 Phone call to Mrs Anderson in Edinburgh. The details as worked out by myself and Carolina House were agreed between us with June McLennan, Family helper to take Tommy through to Edinburgh on the 5th April and Mr Anderson to return him on the 8th.

G. McIntosh

29.3.84 Meeting at Paradise Road re Tommy and Lisa's future. Present myself, Frank Cura, Cliff Anderson, Ann Crawford and Ann Bell. After much discussion around the pros and cons of the various issues, it was unanimously agreed by the group that a long term fostering placement should be sought for Tommy and Lisa. It was agreed that Dundee should be the main focus for identifying a potential family but that it should not be discounted that a suitable family could be found out with Dundee.

G. McIntosh

2.4.84 Letter to Mr Tarbett informing him of Tommy's forthcoming visit to Edinburgh. A letter was also sent to Mr and Mrs Anderson this date confirming the arrangements.

G. McIntosh

3.4.84 As this is the school Easter holidays I took Tommy and Lisa out for the afternoon and they requested that I take them to see the Walt Disney Cartoon, Robin Hood. The children seemed to enjoy the film I gauged this by the fact that they said very little during the period that it was screened which was unusual for Tommy and Lisa.

G. McIntosh

5.4.84 Tommy to Edinburgh with June McLennan for his brief holiday.

G. McIntosh

6/10.4.84 - Time off in lieu and public holidays.

G. McIntosh

11.4.84 Phone call to Carolina House - I was informed that Tommy was returned at a reasonable time by Mr Anderson and by all accounts he seemed to enjoy his stay immensely.

Later - completed F24 and F9 for appropriate payment to Mr and Mrs Anderson for the period Tommy spent with them.

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11.4.84 contu'd	Later evening visit to Carolina House. Tommy along with some other children and myself went to see Dundee United playing a cup game at Tannadice Park. Tommy takes his football very seriously - unfortunately Dundee United won so Tommy was very happy with the evening. G. McIntosh
12.4.84	Saw Tommy and Lisa at Carolina House. I was informed by staff that Lisa along with some other children from the Scott House had stolen some souvenirs on a trip to Edinburgh zoo. Staff had only found this out recently when one of the children had told about it. All the children were to be interviewed about this by staff. I spoke to Lisa about this and she admitted that she had pinched a small keyring. I spoke to Tommy about this but Tommy denied that he had been involved in this at all and staff seemed to think that this was probably correct. Overall this seems to have been a prank which all the children indulged in. G. McIntosh
16.4.84	Meeting at Area 4 office, Commercial Street. Myself, Lynn Craig from Carolina House, Audrey Salter, Homefinder Dundee East and Wendy Grant, Group Co Leader present. We discussed briefly the format of the group and a Pen Picture of Tommy and Lisa was given verbally by myself and Lynn and what we felt the needs of the children were re this group. It was agreed that Pat and I would furnish profiles of Tommy and Lisa to Audrey, my task to be to compile a family tree on Tommy and Lisa and a brief outline of the family situation. Lynn Craig is to compile a list of people Tommy and Lisa are close to at Carolina House plus their interests. Audrey is to get back to me and let me know when the time-table for the group is set up. Later- phone call from Pat Walls at Carolina House to say that Mr Tarbett had been down at the weekend and had caused a bit of fuss regarding something Lisa had said about a member of staff. It transpired that Mr Tarbett had accused this male member of staff of bullying Lisa. Pat said this was being looked at by herself and she would let me know the outcome. I told her that I would be going to see Mr Tarbett tonight and would raise the issue with him. Pat also told me that on Saturday a woman had come down to Carolina House following a phone call from David Tarbett and had claimed to be aunt of Tommy and Lisa and had taken the children out for the afternoon. Pat and I discussed this and I agreed that this was another issue I would raise with Mr Tarbett as there would have to be more control over who took Tommy and Lisa out of Carolina House. Following this phone conversation I compiled a letter - sent this to Mr Tarbett recorded delivery stating that in order to clarify the position about who might take Tommy and Lisa out of Carolina, I told him that only he, David and the respective grandparents could do this and that if he wished to request that someone else might perform this task he would have to negotiate this in advance with either myself or Bill Black - see under correspondence section in Tommy's file. Later - evening visit to Mr Tarbett. Mr Tarbett informed me that the woman who had turned up at the weekend had been his former girlfriend Ann from Kirkcaldy. Mr Tarbett had asked her to do this as a favour for him. I informed Mr Tarbett that he should not do this and that only the people authorised could pick Tommy and Lisa up unless he gave adequate notice and we had an opportunity to discuss any suggestion he might make. Mr Tarbett also reiterated his complaint about a member of staff at Carolina House, named John, whom he accused of bullying Lisa. Mr Tarbett also said that when he was down on Sunday he had removed what he called a dirty book from one of the young boys in Carolina House and this member of staff had taken it from him and returned it to the boy. Mr Tarbett was outraged about this. I told /-

Mr Tarbett that the issue was being looked at by Carolina staff and that I had every faith in them to do a proper job regarding this and I advised Mr Tarbett to leave the issue and not become personally involved at this stage.

G. McIntosh

18.4.84 Phone call from Pat Walls, at Carolina House. I informed her of the outcome of my visit to Mr Tarbett and the letter that I had sent, I told her that I had also sent a copy of this letter to Bill Black at Carolina House. Pat told me that she had discussed with Lisa the question of bullying and also with the staff member and Lisa had admitted that she had exaggerated what had happened and that she had not been bullied at all. Pat told me that John had been very shaken up by the accusation and that as far as she was concerned it was completely unfounded. Pat said that she had not heard anything about the dirty book episode but would look into this also.

G. McIntosh

23.4.84 Prepared the family tree for fostering preparation group and sent to Audrey Salter this date - see under correspondence section in Tommy's file for copy.

G. McIntosh

24.4.84 Received copy of letter sent by Bill Black to Mr Tarbett re his complaint about staff's treatment of Lisa - see copy under correspondence section.

Received copy of fostering preparation programme from Audrey Salter - see under correspondence section.

G. McIntosh

26.4.84 Phone call from Bill Black O.I.C. Carolina House to say that Mr Tarbett was at the Children's Home and had informed Tommy and Lisa and staff that his wife Mrs Helen Tarbett had returned and that he was taking the children up to see her. Bill asked our position on this matter. After a consultation between Cliff Anderson and myself I told Bill Black that Mr Tarbett was to be told that he could not take the children to see his wife and that I would call at the family home at Drumlanrig Drive to discuss the matter. Bill phoned me back after speaking to Mr Tarbett who had informed him that he was going to take the children anyway - Bill told me that he had told Mr Tarbett that the police would be called should he attempt to do this. I told Bill that I would call down to Carolina immediately. Before leaving Cliff and I agreed that if I managed to speak to Mrs Tarbett I would suggest that she comes into the central office for a talk with both him and myself.

Called at Carolina House to find out that Mr Tarbett had already left and that the children were still present. I spoke to Tommy and Lisa who both seemed somewhat bewildered by the situation and informed them that I was going to attempt to see their mother and I would speak to them the following day about the matter.

Later - travelled to Drumlanrig Drive in company with Peter Devlin (Social Worker resuming responsibility for elder boys cases). Mr Tarbett home in a reasonable mood. I explained to him that it had been agreed that Mrs Tarbett could not see the children until we had the opportunity to have a discussion with her. Mr Tarbett then offered to take us to where Mrs Tarbett was staying i.e. her mother's address, and although we did not particularly want him to accompany us he insisted. Half way to Mrs Robertson's we met Helen Tarbett coming along the road - had a discussion with her in the car. When she was told that Mr Tarbett had informed Tommy and Lisa that she was in town and wanted to see them Mrs Tarbett was furious with her husband and told him that she had specifically instructed him not to say anything to Tommy and Lisa and that the children would be upset. Mrs Tarbett informed us that she was only back in Dundee for a brief holiday and would be returning to London. I asked Mrs Tarbett if she would be willing to call at the Paradise Road office the following day and discuss the situation with myself and Cliff Anderson and she agreed to do this. I informed Mr Tarbett that it would be desirable if his wife called to see us on her own.

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26.4.84 contu'd	Later returned to Carolina House and explained to the children that I had seen their mother and that I was to be having a further meeting with her the following day. Understandably the children felt somewhat bewildered by the situation. I explained to staff what had transpired with Mr and Mrs Tarbett. G. McIntosh
27.4.84	Helen Tarbett to Paradise Road office at agreed time. Mr Tarbett also accompanied her but was not party to the discussion that took place between Mrs Tarbett, myself and Cliff Anderson. Helen Tarbett insisted that at no time had she intended visiting Tommy and Lisa without seeing ourselves and further told us that having been counselled by her mother Mrs Robertson she had decided she would not see Tommy and Lisa although this hurt her deeply. We all agreed in the light of all the facts that it was probably better for Tommy and Lisa not to see their mother and then have to get over the hurt of her leaving again, than it would be for her not to see them at all. I suggested to Helen however that she see me on Monday morning and that I help her to write a letter to Tommy and Lisa explaining the situation to them - I also said that I would like to take some photographs of her for the children - this was agreed and an appointment was set for her at the office on Monday morning. Evening visit to Carolina House. I explained to Lynne Craig the children's key worker about today's discussion - we then saw Tommy and Lisa together and I explained the situation to them. Both children are upset - Tommy showed this more than Lisa about the fact that they were not to see their mother. I explained to them that I would be seeing their mother again and that she would be writing to them to try and explain in her own words her feelings. G. McIntosh
30.4.84	Mrs Tarbett to Happyhillock office whereas she wrote a letter to Tommy and Lisa copies of which are in correspondence section of file. I also took photographs of Mrs Tarbett for all the children - see report section in both files for write up on Mrs Tarbett's meeting with me at Happyhillock office. Later telephoned Carolina House and arranged to have tea with Tommy and Lisa the following day. I told staff that I would bring the letter and photographs with me. Staff informed me that there had been ^{no} problems with Mr Tarbett over the weekend - indeed he had not been seen at all. G. McIntosh
1.5.84	Tea with Tommy and Lisa at Carolina House. Before tea I told the children about their mother's visit to me yesterday and I gave them her letter and the photographs. Both children read the letter to themselves and then Lisa read it loud to Lynne and myself with Tommy present. The children were delighted with the photographs and seemed more happy about the whole affair than they had been on Friday previous. The children asked what their mum was doing and I told them that she was likely to be going back to London quite soon - if she hadn't already gone. G. McIntosh
3.5.84	Called at Carolina House to pick up Tommy and Lisa for the fostering preparation group. I had a brief conversation with Bill Black and Lynne Craig prior to this and brought them up-to-date with the details of Mrs Tarbett's appearance. Took Tommy and Lisa to the fostering preparation group for details of this see under report section in Tommy's file. G. McIntosh
10.5.84	Lynne Craig and myself took Tommy and Lisa to the second session of the fostering preparation group - see under report section in Tommy's file. G. McIntosh

11.5.84	Discussion with Cliff Anderson Senior Social Worker regarding the current situation with Tommy and Lisa, and the discussion about request for foster parents. Both Cliff and I are convinced of the necessity to keep the children local and that any wider geographic separation from their family and Dundee would be detrimental to them and likely to cause a breakdown in placement early on.	G. McIntosh
17.5.84	Lynne arrived and took Tommy and Lisa to the third session for the fostering preparation group - see report section in Tommy's file.	G. McIntosh
23.5.84	Phone call to Ann Bell, Homefinder re fostering advertisement - it was agreed that we should meet soon as a group to discuss the fostering situation.	G. McIntosh
29.5.84	Informed by staff at Carolina House when the children were out at the weekend Mr Tarbett had got a hold of photographs of his wife that I had given to Tommy and Lisa and that these had not be returned to the children.	
	Later this date letter sent to Mr Tarbett asking him to return the photographs to Carolina House immediately - see correspondence section in Tommy's file.	G. McIntosh
31.5.84	Took Tommy and Lisa to the fourth and last session of fostering preparation group - see write up under reports section in Tommy's file.	G. McIntosh
1.6.84	Memo received from Ann Bell regarding her inability to attend fostering preparation group feedback meeting with Audrey Salter.	G. McIntosh
5.6.84	Meeting between Cliff Anderson, Ann Bell, Peter Devlin, myself regarding fostering situation for Tommy and Lisa.	G. McIntosh
6.6.84	Phoned all concerned about the arrangements for the meeting 22.6.84.	G. McIntosh
12.6.84	Mr Tarbett to Happyhillock office with a request to see me about housing matter. Mr Tarbett told me that he had been to the housing division about an application he had submitted - Mr Tarbett told me that the housing division wanted some confirmation from Social Work of his domestic circumstances. I told Mr Tarbett that I would contact the housing division, find out what they wanted and see if I could help. Before Mr Tarbett left I asked him about the photograph he had taken from Tommy and Lisa - Mr Tarbett told me that he had returned them to the children this weekend. When he had left I phoned Carolina House to check this out and was informed that indeed he had returned the photographs.	G. McIntosh
13.6.84	Following a phone call to the housing division, I sent them a letter regarding Mr Tarbett's domestic situation - see copy under correspondence section in Tommy's file.	G. McIntosh
15.6.84	Evening visit to Tommy and Lisa at Carolina House. I spoke to the children about their mother's leaving Dundee again and both seemed to be reasonably at ease over this matter and not unduly concerned. Before leaving I discussed the forthcoming meeting on 22nd June with Lynne Craig.	G. McIntosh
22.6.84	Meeting re Tommy and Lisa's participation in fostering preparation group. Present - Cliff Anderson, myself, Lynne Craig from Carolina House, Audrey Salter and Wendy Craig co workers in the group. We discussed the contents of the /-	

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22.6.84 contu'd	four write-ups from the sessions and got an overall picture of Tommy and Lisa's reaciton to events from Audrey and Wendy. Both agreed that there seemed to be a lack of realism about fostering for Tommy and Lisa and that Tommy inparticular seemed to be somewhat divorced from it. Audrey however was quite optimistic about the possibility of fostering the children but said that contact with the natural family was extremely important to them and this must be handled delicately. Audrey also felt that placement for the children outwith Dudnee City bounderies was suitable but it should not be too far away in terms of main-tianing links with family. The overall feeling I gained from the meeting was one of optimism that the children were still fosterable given the identification of a suitable family.	G. McIntosh
4.7.84	By arrangement I called at Carolina House to see Tommy and Lisa and Lynne. I discussed with the ghree the possibility of sitting down in a week's time with the children and putting together an advert to seek foster parents for them. It was also agreed that on that day following completion of the advert we would have a trip to Anstruther, Fife to the Maritime Museum, Lynne would also accompany us.	G. McIntosh
6.7.84	Notificaiton of Review date received from Frnak Cura.	G. McIntosh
11.7.84	With Tommy and Lisa and Lynne's assistance we put together the bear bones of an advert seeking foster parents. It was agreed that I would contact Ann Bell re this matter and let the children know when it was to go in the newspaper. The trip to Anstruther was enjoyed immensely by Tommy and Lisa who particularly liked the display of marine life in the large aquariums.	G. McIntosh
16.7.84	By arrangement meeting with Ann Bell. I told Ann about the meeting with Tommy and Lisa and gave her details of the advertisement. Ann told me however that she identified a possible family from her approved foster parent list and indeed this family had seen the earlier ad in the paper. Ann had made an informal inquiry about the children - Ann told me that she had seen the family, the Frasers, and had had an informal discussion with them about Tommy and Lisa although she had not gone into any detail of the situaiton or circumstances. We agreed Ann should contact Ann Crawford, Fieldwork Manager, and seek her approval to make further contact with the Frasers re Tommy and Lisa and Ann would then come back to me about this matter.	G. McIntosh
20.7.84	Visited Carolina House and explained to Lyyne Craig aobut the development with Ann Bell and she was pleased to hear about this. It was agreed that nothing should be said to Tommy and Lisa until a more advanced stage had been reached. Tommy asked me if he could go through to his friend's in Edinburgh for a holiday and I said that I would follow up this matter with management and with the Andersons in Edinburgh as soon as I returned from leave the following week.	G. McIntosh
23. to 27.7.84	Social Worker on annual leave.	G. McIntosh
24.7.84	Memo received from Ann Bell re an intended meeting with the Frasers on 2nd August which I was invited to accompnay her on.	G. McIntosh
30.7.84 to 5.8.84	- Tommy with Mr and Mrs Anderson in Edinburgh. This had been arranged prior to my going on annual leave in July.	G. McIntosh

1.8.84	Lisa Lynne and myself along with the Whitfield Play-scheme Group went to Tentsmuir woods for a day trip. The trip was in connection with my new post as group officer but I managed to incorporate a treat for Lisa within this. G. McIntosh
2.8.84	Evening visit to the Frasers with Ann Bell. Mr and Mrs Fraser present as was their son Alan aged 13, their married daughter Angela who has a young baby and is apparently staying with them and their foster daughter Avril who has been with them approximately 2 years through the Department. Ann and I spent 2 hours with the Frasers during which time as much information as I could give within the bounds of confidentiality about Tommy and Lisa's circumstances was exchanged. Mr and Mrs Fraser talked about their current situation and the only area that gave me any practical concern was how Tommy and Lisa would manage to get to school. Mrs Fraser suggested that Tommy and Lisa get a bus on the bus pass system as their own children get at present. I was struck by the attitude of both Mr and Mrs Fraser who showed both an enquiring and sensible attitude to the fostering task. Before leaving I had the opportunity however brief to speak to Avril the girl already fostered with the Frasers who is aged 16. Avril told me that she was happy and I believed her to be sincere in this. Mr and Mrs Fraser's son also appeared during the course of our chat with one of his friends. He didn't seem shy and appeared happy to converse with his parents in front of strangers. Before leaving we informed Mr and Mrs Fraser that we would have to go over the situation with Senior Management before proceeding further with the matter and we also told them that we would not say anything to Tommy and Lisa until we had agreement from management to do so. It was agreed that a meeting would be convened as soon as possible although this was effected by current staff leave. G. McIntosh
17.8.84	Meeting at Paradise Road with Ann Bell, Cliff Anderson, Ann Crawford, Lynne Craig and myself all present. After a great deal of discussion around Tommy and Lisa's needs and what the Frasers could provide it was agreed that we should proceed with the request for the Frasers to be considered for foster parents to Tommy and Lisa. It was also suggested at the meeting that the Frasers be invited along to the next scheduled review which is tabled for week beginning 3rd September 1984 - I agreed to put this to them. G. McIntosh
19.8.84	Phoned Mrs Fraser and informed her of the decisions of the meeting on 17.8.84. Mrs Fraser said that although in principle she would be delighted to come to the review she would have to discuss this with her husband as to the practicalities of it. It was agreed further that myself and Lynne Craig would come to the Frasers for an evening visit on Thursday 23rd August 1984 by which time Lynne and I should have spoken to Tommy and Lisa about the situation. Later phoned Ann Bell and informed her of this situation. Later phone call from Carolina House informing me that Mr Tarbett had called at the weekend and had taken Tommy and Lisa to the bar of a hotel adjacent to Carolina House - I told Carolina House staff that I would write to Mr Tarbett about this matter. G. McIntosh
20.8.84	Letter sent to Mr Tarbett re his taking the children to the local bar - I also told Mr Tarbett that I wanted him to return the letter which I had been informed he had removed from Tommy and Lisa - this being the letter that Helen Tarbett had written to the children following her brief appearance in Dundee. - see letter under correspondence in Tommy's file. G. McIntosh

JRA. 31/8/84.

14-9-84 Casenotes and AO16 checked - see Recommendations of Review held on 3/9/84. H. Gura, A.S.M.