



Tayside Regional Council

72/74 Haldane Terrace,
Dundee.

Social Work Department
Dundee Division
Area 2.

SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT

The following person:—

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

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

Previous Appearances as known to the Officer making the Report:

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

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

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

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

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

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

John R. Anderson
Mr. G. McIntosh,
Social Worker.

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will attend the hearing