

CASE REVIEWS

Summary of Review Meeting and Recommendations for the Future

Date of Review.....7th April, 1983.....

Name	Present Address	D.O.B.
Lisa Tarbett, Sec. 44 (1)(b)	Carolina House	7.8.74
Tommy Tarbett, Sec. 44 (1)(b)		16.7.73

Participants: Mr F. Cura, Acting A.C., Area 2, Chairman.
 Mr H. Tosh, Dep. O.I.C., Carolina House.
 Ms A. McDonald, Asst. Houseparent, Carolina House.
 Mr G. McIntosh, S.W., Area 2.

Summary of Discussion + Goals/Tasks for the Future (Goals to be listed separately)

This case was last reviewed on 16th December, 1982 at which time the following recommendations were made:-

- (a) Both Tommy and Lisa continue to reside within Carolina House.
- (b) Family contact be encouraged but monitored (especially further to the Parental Rights action being announced).
- (c) There continue to be ongoing liaison between Mr McIntosh and residential staff..
- (d) Next Review to be held at Carolina House on 11th April, 1983 at 2.15 p.m..

Date and time of Review had been changed to today's date at 11.15 a.m..

Since the last Review, the Local Authority has assumed Parental Rights on all 5 Tarbett children, but this is subject to appeal by Mr Tarbett. Mrs Tarbett's whereabouts are still unknown. Mr Tarbett still resides with his mother - his contact with the children continues to be poor despite the fact that at the last Children's Hearing he was urged to make more of an effort in this direction. Mr Tarbett says that his visits upset the kids - it was explained to Mr Tarbett that if he visited more regularly then this would not be the case. Mr Tarbett visited the day following the Hearing but did not return to see the kids until Easter Sunday; he has made promises to the kids but has not kept them. Mr McIntosh has not had much contact with Mr Tarbett since the assumption of Parental Rights, but had met him only briefly on a home visit in his search for Graham (an elder brother of the children). Mr Tarbett has broken 3 appointments with the Social Worker and has made it quite clear that he does not wish to talk things over with the Social Worker at all. Mr Swinton, Regional Solicitor, advised that an appeal had been lodged by Mr Tarbett against the Parental Rights assumption, and it might be brought to Court in July.

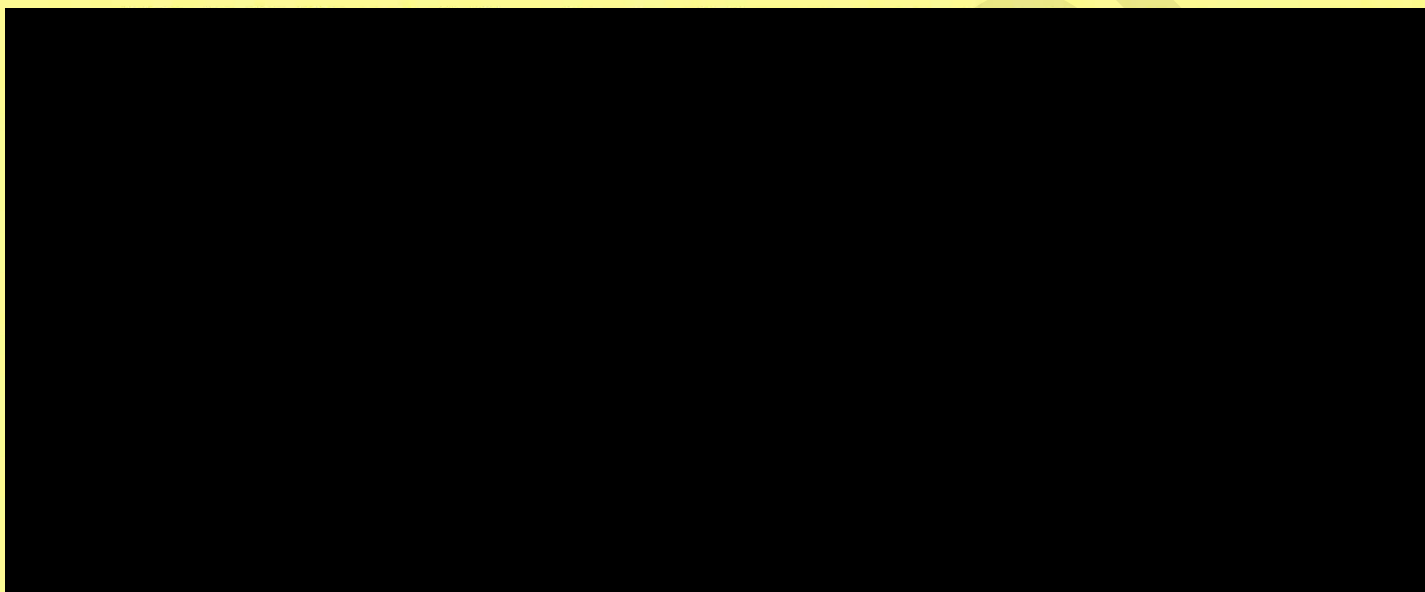
Tommy

Tommy is reported by residential staff as becoming more unsettled of late, but this could be due to the fact that the children in his Unit have been changing, a situation which might be giving him a feeling of insecurity. There are 8 children

in Tommy's Unit with ages ranging from 8 to 15, and Tommy is the youngest boy. Healthwise, Tommy has been rather lethargic over the last 2 weeks but residential staff feel this could be due to the fact that Measles were in the offing. Tommy often goes to the Wellgate Centre on Saturday in the hope of seeing his father - he tends to be upset when his father doesn't turn up, despite the fact that Mr Tarbett has failed him on numerous occasions.

Tommy relates well to the other children in Carolina House and gets on well with the staff. His school work is fine and he carries out his homework well - he is quite a bright boy. There is a strong family bond, with father tending to concentrate more on the males in the family. Tommy tries to instigate contact with his brothers by virtue of phone calls to Ann Street Children's Home; this ongoing contact between the siblings is encouraged by residential staff and social worker. The elder brothers are welcome at Carolina House (provided they call at separate times).

Lisa



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Mr W. Black, O.I.C., Carolina House.
Mr G. McIntosh, S.W., Area 2. ✓

Signed *[Signature]*

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(Reviewing Consultant)

Date *20/4/83.*

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pursued at the moment pending the outcome of Mr Tarbett's appeal against Parental Rights assumption. Any questions raised by the children, relating to fostering, will, however, be answered quite freely. The fact that Mr Tarbett portrays Mr McIntosh as "a bogie man" to the children may be causing Tommy some anxieties re fostering. It was felt that Mr McIntosh and Lynne Craig should discuss the subject with Tommy and Lisa, in order to allay any false impression Mr Tarbett may be building up. Mr Tosh felt that Tommy should not be made to feel that he is being pushed into this.

Tommy and Lisa joined the group at this point. Lisa had previously expressed a wish to join the group and Tommy had just decided this day that he wished to join in too. Mr Cura made the children aware of what the group was for and that whatever was decided was for their best interests. The children were quite relaxed and smartly turned out. Tommy appeared more forthcoming than Lisa who seemed a little shy at first. Lisa was happy with Mr Cura's request to read her pen picture and gradually "opened out". Mr Cura asked Tommy about his room and who he shared with, to which Tommy replied that he shared with two boys both older than himself. On asking Lisa this question she informed Mr Cura that she shared with two girls, one 7, and the other 14. Tommy told the group that his interests outside were football, and Lisa said that she plays outside with the other girls in Carolina House. They were soon quite talkative and appeared quite relaxed. Both children had attended the Children's Hearing on the last occasion for the first time and seem to be interested to know what goes on at the Reviews - they would like to come in at the next Review too.

Recommendations

- (a) Both Tommy and Lisa remain at Carolina House.
- (b) Family contact continue to be encouraged but monitored both by residential staff and fieldwork staff.
- (c) Any anxieties expressed by Tommy and Lisa (re fostering) be clarified by Lynne Craig and Mr McIntosh.
- (d) Liaison between residential staff and Mr McIntosh continue.
- (e) Mr Cura to contact Mr McIntosh within the next 6 weeks, i.e. Friday 20th May, re Appeal decision, and possible setting up of the next Review.