

TAYSIDE REGIONAL COUNCIL - SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT

Name LEONARD FAMILY

CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES/CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY:

(From birth for children. signify any important events with dates and reasons for any moves)

Change in statute, home address, social worker, G.P. or any other agency should be recorded and underlined also changed on front sheet.

[REDACTED]

Date

28/04/87	Stacey Louise born. Alleged father, [REDACTED]
08/07/87	Anonymous call to Police. [REDACTED] being ill treated, left strapped in his pram. Police investigate, no major concerns.
02/02/88	[REDACTED] living in Susan's house. Susan living with her step-father [REDACTED]
09/05/88	Concerns by Doreen Wood, Health Visitor, about living situation. Susan had returned to live with step-father after giving birth to Stacey (28/04/87). Susan's mother living in Susan's house in Grant Road.
16/11/88	Susan married Mr David Laing.
01/12/89	Tammy Alasha Jane born. Alleged father, [REDACTED]
April 1990	Susan began a relationship [REDACTED]
20/11/90	Concern report submitted by Doreen Wood, Health Visitor.
22/02/91	[REDACTED]
06/03/91	Mary Foster is family's Social Worker.
06/03/91	Pre NAI Meeting. No Case Conference.
02/04/91	[REDACTED]
10/06/91	Allegations that children are dirty and neglected and that children are shut in kennels with dogs when they misbehave by Susan. Police took no further action.
June 1991	Relationship ended between Susan and [REDACTED]
19/07/91	[REDACTED]
09/08/91	[REDACTED]
25/10/91	[REDACTED]
03/12/91	Anonymous referral. Dirty condition of house.
09/01/92	Anonymous referral. Concerns about children [REDACTED]
09/04/92	[REDACTED] has concerns about Susan's daughters. [REDACTED]
10/04/92	[REDACTED] Children out at 8.00 pm.

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07/05/92	CP Investigations. NFA.
13/05/92	CP Investigation re allegations made by [REDACTED]
04/06/92	[REDACTED]
08/05/92	[REDACTED]
01/06/92	[REDACTED]
30/06/92	Case Conference.
13/07/92	[REDACTED]
13/08/92	Anonymous referral. Two year old child outside with only a top on. Children climbing in and out of windows.
05/03/93	Anonymous referral. Children helped to carry dead rabbits into the house. Children covered in rabbits blood.
22/04/94	Anonymous referral. Children running about the street with no clothes on. Happening all week, day and night.
23/02/94	Mat Proc. Report. Mary Foster re Stacey and [REDACTED]
25/03/94	Thomas Leonard convicted [REDACTED] [REDACTED] 18 month imprisonment.
26/04/94	Planning Meeting re Mr Leonard's recent convictions.
08/06/94	Case transferred to Barbara Cowan.
26/08/94	Supplementary Report Mat. Proc. Barbara Cowan.
11/10/94	[REDACTED] Stacey [REDACTED] in care, c/o Jack and Sue Harrison. Susan admitted to Sunnyside Hospital.
11/10/94	[REDACTED] Stacey [REDACTED] received into care with Jack and Sue Harrison. Susan admitted to Sunnyside Hospital because [REDACTED] "not coping". Felt she needed time out to sort herself out and give herself a break.
12/10/94	Allegations made about physical abuse whilst at Lamely Terrace.
03/11/94	CP Investigation. Children's names placed on CPR. Susan at home.
03/11/94	CP Case Conference. [REDACTED] Stacey [REDACTED] name placed on Child Protection Register. Case transferred to Elizabeth Ross.
07/11/94	[REDACTED] Stacey and [REDACTED] discharged from care.
19/11/94	[REDACTED] Stacey and [REDACTED] placed with Sue and Jack Harrison, Place of Safety. Susan moves to Fife (Kennoway) with mother.
22/11/94	Children transferred to Anne McConnachie's.
12/12/94	Children made subject of a Named Place of Safety Order.
Jan/Feb 95	Assessment at Kingsmuir. Carol McFadden involved.
24/02/95	Child Care Review. Social staff that Ms Leonard does not make full use of access and regularly chooses to terminate access early. Ms Leonard stated that she cannot handle the full access time with the children because she feels that they have too much energy and she feels she cannot cope.
	With regards to her coping with the children for overnight access, she said that she would have family to help her and she would not be on her own. Carol McFadden, Resource

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24/02/95 contd/...	Worker, who has been assessing Susan's parenting, was of the opinion that Susan had made progress over the last few weeks, eg. sharing her attention among the children, amusing the children and cooking for them. Decision of the meeting to move to the next phase of rehabilitation.
21/03/95	Extensive contact with KDC through January/February. Application through Mobility Scheme rejected. Unwilling to consider her under Homeless Persons Act. Angus District Council agree to house under Homeless Persons Act. House available in near future.
23/03/95	Meeting with Susan Leonard. Susan unwilling to live in Forfar, feels that she needs family around for support for looking after the children.
30/03/95	Susan will accept temporary housing in Forfar with a view to securing accommodation in Fife. Family will support her in Forfar.
11/04/95	Susan moves to 4 Easterbank, Forfar. The second phase of rehabilitation will commence on 17/04/95.
17&18/04/95	Susan not available for meeting to discuss rehabilitation. Susan has not been staying at 4 Easterbank, she is thought to be in Dundee [REDACTED]
21-24/04/95	Susan spends a week in Cheltenham, England with David Lessels.
02/05/95	Meeting with Susan Leonard. Susan stated that working towards her children returning to her care was her first priority.
04/05/95	Carol Richardson, Homeless Persons Officer, advised that Susan has not been staying at 4 Easterbank, and thus her tenancy is in jeopardy. Carol has discussed her concerns with Susan.
11/05/95	Susan queried what options were available to her with regard to permanency.
22/05/95	Susan's tenancy at Easterbank withdrawn because of non-occupancy. [REDACTED]
23/05/95	Meeting with Susan Leonard. Susan stating that she wants to pursue rehabilitation, however she is unsure if she can maintain her own tenancy. Mrs Cryer (maternal grandmother) is to apply for a housing transfer to accommodate Susan and the children. Susan acknowledging difficulties managing the children during access.
25/05/95	Meeting with Susan Leonard. Susan stated that she was not intending on pursuing housing in Scotland, but was planning on setting up home with David Lessels in Cheltenham. Susan intends [REDACTED] pursuing rehabilitation of the children.
25/05/95	Child Care Review - Susan stating that rehabilitation plan was not working because she was not able to manage the children - [REDACTED] [REDACTED] She felt that any one child would be too much for her to manage now, or in the longer term. Susan did not wish to give up <u>her</u> rights to her children, but would like some level of contact with them. [REDACTED]
	Permanency plans should be pursued.
05/06/95	Stacey moves from the McConnachie's to Irene Claffey's.
07/06/95	Meeting with Susan Leonard. Susan stated that previous attempt at rehabilitation was a flop and that she had lost sight of her priorities. She stated that she now wanted to work towards the children returning to her care. Agreed to negotiate with Housing on her behalf.
16/06/95	Carol Richardson, Homeless Persons Officer, agrees to offer Susan temporary homeless accommodation in Arbroath in order to test out rehab.

Date

20/06/95 Meeting with Susan Leonard. Discussed rehabilitation agreement/contract with Susan. Susan to consider this proposal and this will be discussed in full at Child in Care Review.

21/06/95 Susan signed rehabilitation agreement. Susan does not wish to pursue rehabilitation in Angus, but would accept housing in Fife.

22/06/95 Legal advice sought. No grounds for permanency. Susan had changed her mind and wishes to pursue rehabilitation.

Plan prepared and presented to Susan. She was not prepared to have rehabilitation in Angus. Not accepting conditions of plan.

26/06/95 -
18/07/95 Stacey with Dorothy Archer.

19-31/07/95 Susan on holiday with David Lessels on Cheltenham.

17/07/95 Child in Care Review.

02/10/95 Susan allocated a house in Kennoway, Fife.

12/10/95 [REDACTED]

15/11/95 Susan marries David Lessels.

20/11/95 Rehab commences - supervised access.

04/01/96 [REDACTED]

11/01/96 Advice sought from [REDACTED] Adoption/Permanence.

15/01/96 [REDACTED]

13/02/96 Review of rehab for [REDACTED]/Stacey - decision to try out overnights.

04/04/96 Stacey [REDACTED] spend overnight with Susan.

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ELIZABETH ROSS
SOCIAL WORKER

ER/KGT-96
12 April 1996

Report by the Person Caring for the Child - Stacey Leonard

- (1) Weekdays - up at 7.45 am - ready for school independently. Leaves home around 8.45 am with [REDACTED] Stacey stays at school for lunch (packed lunches or school dinners). She comes home at approximately 3.45 pm. Homework first and a cup of tea, etc. and a biscuit and chat or play. Dinner is at 6.00 pm. Bedtime is at 8.30 pm - sometimes read her a story.

Weekends - Saturday; Stacey stays in bed until I get up around 9.30 - 10.00 am. After breakfast she tidies her room, does chores then goes to the cafe/shops with [REDACTED] until I have finished work. Then we go to the church, then home, then tea (chippy). Television, bedtime usually around 9.00 - 9.15 pm.

Sunday; lie-in, go for a walk, comes to work then tea, then bath and hair washed. Bed at 8.30 pm.

- (2) Brownies on Monday evenings, Highland Dancing Tuesday evenings. Stacey loves both activities.
- (3) Enjoys school - doing very well in all aspects of school. Excellent school report.
- (4) Gets on with myself (Irene), sometimes resents others sharing me, usually gets on with [REDACTED] and sometimes fights with other child in placement, is OK with Bruno (dog).
- (5) Happy:- my sole attention, playing with her doll/pram, walking, going out for a treat - tea, pictures, etc., school.

Sad:- remembering the past, mum not able to look after her, if I am away, being told off.

Frightened:- remembering the past, Grandad, Gino, the future, the sound of motorbikes.

- (6) Behaviour - usually very good - likes to please, huffy when told off or caught telling fibs. Recently been more cheeky - answering back.
- (7) Health - wears glasses - operation, attends opticians for six monthly checks. Had perforated eardrum at Christmas, appears to have healed. Has a lump on her left side of her neck which changes size with any ongoing infections, colds, etc., checked at hospital - given all clear. GP keeps a check on it. No major problems.
- (8) Self-help - requires help to wash hair - can wash and bath without held. Quite self-sufficient, can co-ordinate clothes very well.

- (9) Personality - can be initially quite shy in new environments though her confidence is growing. She loves to dance and is delighted when asked to demonstrate her Highland Dancing. Doesn't like to be out of sight of a known adult. Enjoys the focus of attention from when in a known group.
- (10) Diet - generally a very good eater and will taste new food if offered a small amount. Eats vegetables except peas. Loves having a packed lunch. Likes tea to drink, along with usual fluids, ie. juice, hot chocolate, milk shake, etc.

Completed by:- Carer - Irene Claffey _____

B THE CHILD - STACEY LEONARD

1 Child's Profile

Stacey has long, straight, light brown hair and brown eyes. She is of slim build and is petite. She has a squint in her left eye and wears glasses.

She presents as shy and serious, but is sociable and more outgoing with those familiar to her. She is always neat and tidy and is very particular about her appearance. She is fairly independent in terms of her personal hygiene and self help skills and likes to help with chores, etc.

Stacey is very loyal to her family and worries about her mother. She has been able to share some of her worries about adults and events which happened to her prior to her coming into care, Stacey is emotionally very vulnerable and will complain of various physical ailments when worried or anxious. She likes to please and does not present with any significant management difficulties in placement. She requires lots of encouragement and reassurance when faced with new situations.

Stacey needs a family who are able to make a long term commitment to her. She has been subjected to many inappropriate experiences whilst being cared for by his mother will require ongoing support for the foreseeable future.

2 Health

Stacey generally keeps in good physical health. She wears glasses and had corrective surgery for a squint in 1995. She attends for check ups on a regular basis. Stacey has a lump on the side of her neck which swells from time to time. Stacey has been referred to Ninewells for this complaint and her GP is monitoring this.

Stacey had a perforated ear drum in December 1996, however this appears to have healed itself.

There are no current health concerns.

3 Intelligence and Level of Functioning

Stacey reached her milestones, however there have been ongoing concerns about her emotional development.

4 School

Stacey began her primary school education at Hayshead School and was in Primary 2 when she was received into care. Like her siblings, Stacey transferred to Tannadice School in November 1994 following her reception into care. Stacey made some progress at school, however she was underachieving. School noted that she would often seek adult attention by complaining that she was physically unwell.

Stacey transferred to Inverbrothock Primary School in June 1995 when her placement with the McConnachie family broke down. Stacey quickly established herself and made new friendships at school. From November to May 1996, Stacey attended school for three days per week, the other two days she spent in Kennoway as part of rehabilitation. School observed a significant difference in Stacey's attitude and behaviour throughout the rehabilitation. They noted that she appeared preoccupied, less motivated and was generally unhappy. Stacey was given learning support during this period.

Following the decision to pursue permanence, the school noted that Stacey appeared less troubled and more able to cope with the demands being placed on her. The school are pleased with the progress Stacey is making at school and they believe that she has the potential to do fairly well at school. Stacey thoroughly enjoys school and puts a great deal of effort into her work. She loves to show off her achievements and responds to praise and encouragement. Stacey has a close circle of friends at school and like all nine year olds they fall in and out of friendships. Stacey has expressed concerns about being bullied at school , however this has been addressed and Stacey remains fairly settled at school.

5 Religion

Stacey has not been Christened or Baptised and has not practised any specific religion whilst being cared for by his mother. With Susan's consent, Stacey has been attending the Roman Catholic Church with her foster carer and is therefore familiar with some of the Roman Catholic practices. Stacey enjoys going to church, but finds it boring at times. She has expressed a desire to make her First Holy Communion.

Susan has never expressed a view with regard to religious preference for the children's upbringing throughout their time in care, however, when this issue was raised with her in respect of the Form E, she advised that she has had personal experiences of both Roman Catholic and Protestant religions and would prefer the children to have a Roman Catholic religious education and upbringing.

She does not, however believe that the particular religion of a prospective family is of paramount importance.

6 Social Links in the Community

Stacey started attending Highland Dancing soon after she was placed with Irene Claffey. Irene's daughter, [REDACTED] in an accomplished dancer and Stacey is keen to be "a good dancer like [REDACTED]"

Stacey has also expressed an interest in gymnastics and she has started attending the Brownies. Stacey enjoys these activities and looks forward to them. She gets on well with other children and appears to be popular with her peers. Stacey has made various friendships with children and their families in the neighbourhood.

7 Child's History

Stacey was cared for by her mother and her family until she was received into care at six years old. Like her siblings Stacey was subjected to poor and inconsistent parenting and was also subjected to many inappropriate experiences by her birth family.

Stacey has many unresolved issues relating to her past experiences whilst being cared for by her birth family. It would appear that the family lived a fairly chaotic lifestyle in which the boundaries and routines were loose and inconsistent. The house was unkempt and the standards of care were low. Both the Police and Social Work Department received various complaints that the children were ill treated and neglected.

Stacey has been physically and emotionally abused by her mother, maternal aunt, maternal step-grandfather and various young males who frequented the house. She recalls being hit with a leather belt by her Aunt Carol and grandfather and was subjected to many frightening experiences at the hands of her mother's male friends eg. locked in her room, hair cut off. One of these males received a prison sentence for offences against the children.

Stacey is gradually beginning to disclose some of the worries she has from her past. She has made allegations about members of her family which indicate that she has been sexually abused and has witnessed inappropriate sexualised behaviour whilst in her mother's care. These allegations are currently being investigated by the Police. Stacey continues to express many fears and anxieties about her grandfather and Aunt Carol and has fears that they will harm her and the people that are important to her.

Stacey has grown up in a very hostile, aggressive, male dominated environment in which her mother had little control or influence. Her maternal step-grandfather was a very significant individual in her life until his incarceration in 1994 and he was followed by the various male lodgers who moved into the home. Susan has been involved in numerous relationships since Stacey was born, however these have been relatively short lived and Stacey does not appear to have formed any sort of attachment to them.

When Susan was hospitalised in September 1994, Stacey and her siblings were placed with Sue and Jack Harrison for three weeks. Jack and Sue live in rural Angus and Stacey has very positive memories of the time she spent with them. Stacey returned to her mother's care following her mother's discharge from hospital, but was received into care the following week on a place of safety.

Stacey and her siblings were placed with the McConnachie family in November 1994 and her placement with them stemmed some seven months. Ann and Roy McConnachie has many family as well as work commitments and they struggled to cope with their own circumstances and the demands of the Leonard children. Ann was the children's main carer. Initially Stacey did not present with difficulties in placement, however as the situation deteriorated, Stacey's behaviour became more problematic. The carers attributed a large part of the difficulties, eg. stealing, lying, etc., to Stacey and they eventually requested that she was removed from placement.

Stacey presented as a very troubled and sad little girl in placement and she would attempt to get adult attention by complaining of various physical ailments. When her placement at the McConnachie's broke down she was transferred to Irene Claffey on an emergency basis. She has remained with Irene since that time.

Whilst Stacey has acknowledged some fond memories of her placement with the McConnachie family, she is also beginning to disclose some of the difficulties she experienced with the other children and carers. Stacey has many unhappy memories of this placement and feels let down by her siblings and is angry about the way her carers treated her. Stacey believes that she was blamed for the misdemeanours of the other children and that her carers did not listen to her and treated her unfairly.

Since transferring placements, Stacey has not presented with the difficult behaviour as detailed by the McConnachie's. She settled into the placement with Irene fairly quickly and there was a noticeable improvement in her general attitude and behaviour as well as a significant decrease in her attention seeking behaviour. It is evident that Stacey's needs are being met in this placement.

She has grown in confidence and is more assertive. She is more able to express her feelings and share her worries and concerns.

8 Relationship with the Family

Stacey's Relationship with her Mother

Stacey is very loyal to and protective of her mother and is unable to share her fears and worries with her. Whilst Stacey would verbalise that she wanted to return to her mother's care, her behaviour clearly indicated otherwise. Although Susan was aware of Stacey's ambivalence, she was unable to help her resolve this. There is no doubt that Stacey would like to live as a family with her mother and siblings, [REDACTED] however she does not believe that this can ever happen as her mother is unable to look after them and keep them safe. Susan continues to give Stacey and her siblings the message that she will continue to challenge the Social Work Department's plans to secure their future with substitute carers.

Susan is unable to recognise and respond to Stacey's needs, however Susan continues to be a very important person in Stacey's life. Notwithstanding this, Stacey is now beginning to question Susan's commitment to her and her siblings and she is also struggling to accept Susan's decision to have more children. Stacey is keen to maintain contact with her mother and she gets very distressed when Susan cancels access. Stacey has fortnightly access with her mother and siblings. Arrangements were made for her to telephone Susan once a week, however Susan has not made herself available for these calls and telephone contact is now "ad hoc".

Stacey's Relationship with David Lessels

When Susan married David Lessels, both were keen for David to take on the role of father to the children. David has had more contact with Stacey [REDACTED] as they spent more time with Susan and David as part of rehabilitation. Although Stacey is aware that David is not her father, she has gone along with the adults' plans for him to assume the "father role".

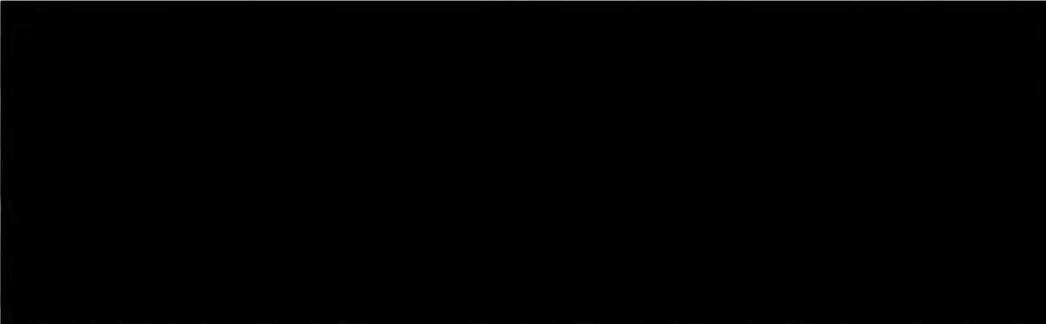
David has limited insight into the needs of the children and he rarely attends for access and thus has limited contact with Stacey and her siblings. Whilst Stacey has verbalised that she is happy for David to accompany her mother to access, occasionally workers have noted that Stacey avoids physical contact with him and rarely engages with him. Her attitude and behaviour would suggest that David is not a significant adult in her life.

Stacey's Relationship with Brian

Stacey and her siblings have lived with separate families since June 1995. They had weekly contact with each other until December 1996 and fortnightly contact since that time. Stacey appears happy to see Brian and they have a fairly positive relationship. Stacey has some concerns about Brian's behaviour, eg. when he lashes out or refuses to do as he is told and she feels frightened and threatened by Brian at these times. Stacey believes that they should be reunited as a family but that Brian will need to change his behaviour.

Stacey's Relationship with Tammy

Stacey and Tammy have lived in separate placements since June 1995, however they have spent a couple of respite weekends together. Stacey and Tammy appear to have a fairly positive relationship and are openly affectionate toward each other. They play well together and share similar interests and hobbies, eg. dancing, playing with their dolls, etc. Stacey struggles with Tammy's attention seeking and destructful behaviour and she is of the opinion that Tammy needs to change her behaviour if they are to be reunited as a family.



Stacey's Relationship with Thomas and Carol Leonard

Stacey has expressed worries and fears about her grandad, Thomas Leonard and Aunt Carol and has clearly stated that she does not want contact with them. Stacey has concerns that these adults will try to remove her from her placement or will harm her and the people important to her.

Stacey has made allegations about her grandfather and other members of her family which are currently being investigated by the Police.

Although Susan is fully aware of Stacey's feelings about her grandfather and aunt, she continues to express the view that both adults should be allowed contact with the children. Stacey is aware of her mother's opinion and on one occasion Susan allowed Carol to come along to the meeting in which Stacey was present. Stacey was very distressed by this and needed lots of reassurance from her carer and Social Worker. Throughout the rehabilitation period Stacey expressed worries about her mother re-establishing contact with Thomas and Carol Leonard. Stacey is aware that they are not permitted to have contact with her and her siblings and she fully endorses this. [REDACTED].

9 Relationships with People the Child is Currently Living with

Stacey was placed with Irene Claffey in June 1995. Stacey settled fairly quickly with Irene and has not presented with the range of difficult behaviour which was apparent in her previous placement. Stacey has grown very attached to Irene and it is evident that she feels safe and secure with her. It is Irene that Stacey will seek out when she is worried or distressed and during such times she needs a lot of reassurance and physical comfort.

Stacey will try to monopolise her carer's attention and affection and finds it difficult to share her carer. Stacey is able to acknowledge her feelings and her sometimes quite negative and hostile attitude towards the other girls in placement. Whilst Stacey is keen to be reunited with her siblings, she would also like to remain with Irene. It is evident that Stacey wants to maintain some form of relationship with Irene in the future.

Irene has become very attached to Stacey and like other members of her extended family, she believes that Stacey physically resembles [REDACTED] when she was younger. Whilst Stacey doesn't require a high degrees of physical care as she is fairly independent, Irene notes that she can be emotionally very demanding.

Irene has a 16 year old daughter, [REDACTED] who lives at home. [REDACTED] has recently left school and attends college full time. Stacey's relationship with [REDACTED] is variable and her opinion of [REDACTED] is that she is sometimes "moany and bossy". [REDACTED] is actively involved with Stacey and will look after her when Irene is working, will take the girls into town, etc. [REDACTED] is very fond of Stacey, although sometimes feels that Stacey monopolises her mother's attention and affection.

Also in placement is [REDACTED] who is the same age as Stacey. [REDACTED]

Stacey's relationship with [REDACTED] is problematic. Stacey and [REDACTED] have been playing games which involves touching each other inappropriately. This has been addressed with them, however despite close monitoring, they continue to involve themselves in this behaviour and we are currently looking at ways to manage this. Stacey and [REDACTED] both vie for their carer's attention and try to out do one other. There are times when their relationship is fairly positive and they share toys and play together, however their relationship needs close and careful managing.

Irene has two older children. [REDACTED] 23 years old and lives in a flat in Arbroath and [REDACTED] is 24 years old and lives on the West Coast. Stacey has contact with them when they visit or telephone and Stacey appears to be quite fond of [REDACTED]. Irene also has a partner Doug, who is a regular visitor to the house and Stacey appears to get on with him.

Irene Claffey is a single carer. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Irene has a wealth of fostering experience.

10 Relationships with any other People Involved with the Child

Stacey has made a special friend at school called [REDACTED] and they have been friends since Stacey started Inverbrothock School.

Stacey will spend time with [REDACTED] and her family and vice versa and they go to the same school of dancing. Stacey has also developed a good relationship with Mrs Webster, the Head Teacher of Inverbrothock School. Stacey will often seek her out to share her worries or news. Stacey has indicated that she would like to maintain contact with Laura and Mrs Webster.

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MEDICAL REPORT ON CHILD COMING ^{OUT OF} ~~INTO~~ CARE

Surname LEONARD Forenames STACEY LOUISE
 Date of Birth

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 Age 6½ Sex F
 Date of Admission ^{OUT OF} ~~INTO~~ Care

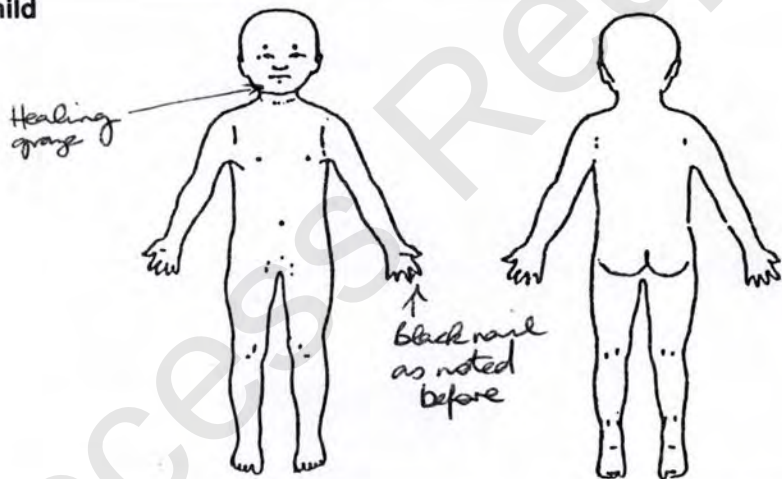
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 School/Nursery Attended HAYHEAD P
 Examination Requested By SND Child Accompanied By MOTHER / SWA
 Place of Examination A.H. Centre Date of Examination

7	11	94
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1 General Physical Appearance of Child

(Note especially any evidence of infection, neglect or injury)



2 Measurements

Weight _____ Kgs _____ Percentile
 Height/Length _____ Cms _____ Percentile
 Head Circumference _____ Cms _____ Percentile

Comment _____

3 Physical Examination (Appropriate to Age and Circumstances)

	N/D/A	Comments
a) Skin and Hair	☐	<u>As above</u>
b) Teeth	☒	
c) Eyes	☐	<u>no glasses Squint</u>
d) Ears, Nose and Throat	☒	
e) CVS	☒	
f) Blood Pressure (If Applicable)	☐	
g) Respiratory System	☒	
h) Alimentary System	☒	<u>Dirty pants. Apparently only x2 / 1 bath</u>
i) Genitalia/Testes (Males Only)	☐	
j) Nervous System	☒	
k) Locomotion/Posture	☒	

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available **and** give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Hearing/Communication

Social/Behaviour

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

Under R/v ENT + Eye Clinic

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Inadequate Information

7 Treatment Required (If any) and note of action taken

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Specify _____

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

School follow up

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged ☐

Referred to
Specialist ☐
Paediatrician

Social Worker
Informed ☐

Specify _____

Signature of Doctor

Name (in block capitals)

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Designation

SCMO

Time

6-30pm

Date

7-11-94

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent

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MEDICAL REPORT ON CHILD COMING INTO CARE

Surname LEONARD Forenames STACEY LOUISE
 Date of Birth

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 Age 6 1/2 Sex F
 Date of Admission Into Care

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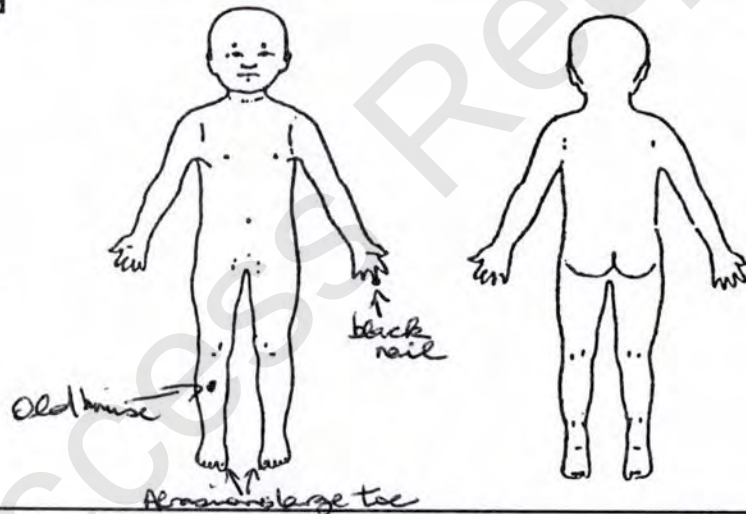
 School/Nursery Attended Hayhead P.
 Examination Requested By Shirley Cavan Child Accompanied By Mr + Mrs Hanson
 Place of Examination Ravenwood Farm Date of Examination

12	10	94
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1 General Physical Appearance of Child

(Note especially any evidence of infection, neglect or injury)

Caught L middle finger in a door at home - black nail.



2 Measurements

Weight 18 Kgs 10th Percentile
 Height/Length 1060 Cms 3rd Percentile
 Head Circumference _____ Cms _____ Percentile

Comment

3 Physical Examination (Appropriate to Age and Circumstances)

	N/D/A	Comments
a) Skin and Hair	☐	<u>As above</u>
b) Teeth	☒	
c) Eyes	☐	<u>Attends eye clinic. Has glasses.</u>
d) Ears, Nose and Throat	☒	
e) CVS	☒	
f) Blood Pressure (If Applicable)	☐	
g) Respiratory System	☒	
h) Alimentary System	☒	
i) Genitalia/Testes (Males Only)	☐	
j) Nervous System	☒	
k) Locomotion/Posture	☒	

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available **and** give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Hearing/Communication

Social/Behaviour

Quiet + Cool for medical.

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

Not known

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Inadequate Information

7 Treatment Required (if any) and note of action taken

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown

Specify _____

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged

☐

Referred to
Specialist
Paediatrician

☐

Social Worker
Informed

☒

Barbara Cowan

Specify _____

Signature of Doctor

Name (in block capitals)

K ANAND

Designation

SCMO

Time

1.30pm

Date

12-10-94

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent

SND - Dongie Dunlop rang - Mother

[redacted] may be admitted to Sunnyside today. There have been concerns over general care of children for some time.

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MEDICAL REPORT ON CHILD COMING INTO CARE

Surname LEONARD Forenames STACEY
 Date of Birth

28	4	87
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 Age 7 Sex F
 Date of Admission Into Care

30	1	95
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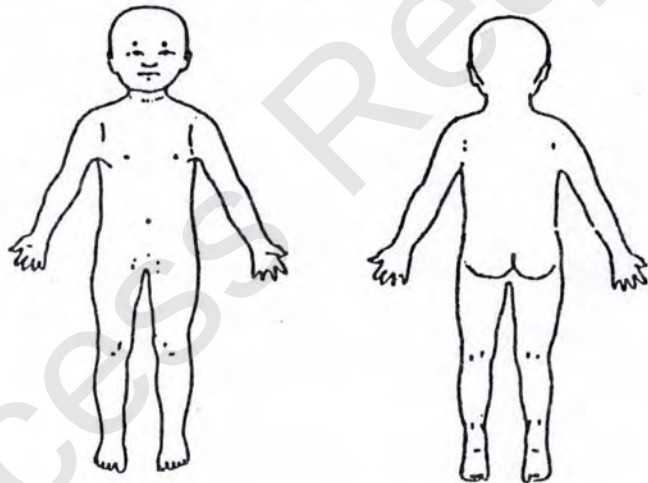
 School/Nursery Attended TANNADICE
 Examination Requested By ALBLOOM SWD Child Accompanied By SWD
 Place of Examination RAVENHAWK HC Date of Examination

30	1	95
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1 General Physical Appearance of Child

(Note especially any evidence of infection, neglect or injury)

*few thin
bruises
fading.*



2 Measurements

Weight _____ Kgs _____ Percentile _____
 Height/Length _____ Cms _____ Percentile _____
 Head Circumference _____ Cms _____ Percentile _____

Comment

3 Physical Examination (Appropriate to Age and Circumstances)

	N/D/A	Comments
a) Skin and Hair	☒	
b) Teeth	☒	
c) Eyes	☒	<i>Wearing blue glasses</i>
d) Ears, Nose and Throat	☒	<i>both Th's inflamed</i>
e) CVS	☒	
f) Blood Pressure (If Applicable)	☒	
g) Respiratory System	☒	
h) Alimentary System	☒	
i) Genitalia/Testes (Males Only)	☒	
j) Nervous System	☒	
k) Locomotion/Posture	☒	

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available and give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Hearing/Communication

Social/Behaviour

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Inadequate Information.

7 Treatment Required (if any) and note of action taken

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown

Specify _____

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged

☐

Referred to
Specialist
Paediatrician

☐

Social Worker
Informed

☐

Specify _____

Signature of Doctor

Name (in block capitals)

JOHANNA NOLAN

Designation

CMO

Time

9.30

Date

30/1/95

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent

for hearing test in school.

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MEDICAL REPORT ON CHILD COMING INTO CARE

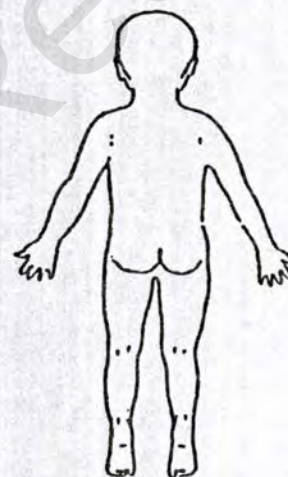
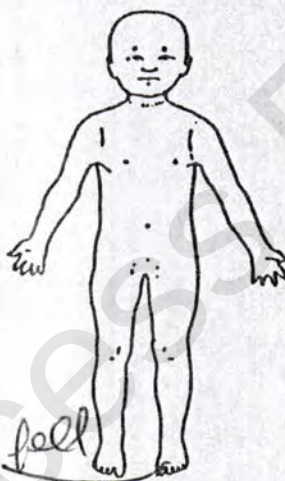
Surname Leonard Forenames Stacey
 Date of Birth 28 4 87 Age Sex F
 Date of Admission Into Care 24 2 95 School/Nursery Attended Turnmill PS
 Examination Requested By S.W.D Child Accompanied By I. Nulton SLDO
 Place of Examination Abbey HC 4:00pm Date of Examination 24 2 95

1 General Physical Appearance of Child

(Note especially any evidence of infection, neglect or injury)

No evidence
of infection

bruise
LEFT big
fe - ladder
mark

**2 Measurements**

Weight Kgs not measured Percentile
 Height/Length Cms measured Percentile
 Head Circumference Cms Percentile

Comment

3 Physical Examination (Appropriate to Age and Circumstances)

	N/D/A	Comments
a) Skin and Hair	☒	
b) Teeth	☒	
c) Eyes	☒	wears big glasses
d) Ears, Nose and Throat	☒	
e) CVS	☒	
f) Blood Pressure (If Applicable)	☒	
g) Respiratory System	☒	
h) Alimentary System	☒	
i) Genitalia/Testes (Males Only)	☒	
j) Nervous System	☒	
k) Locomotion/Posture	☒	

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available and give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Hearing/Communication

Social/Behaviour

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Inadequate Information

7 Treatment Required (if any) and note of action taken

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Specify _____

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged ☐

Referred to
Specialist
Paediatrician ☐

Social Worker
Informed ☐

Specify _____

Signature of Doctor

[Redacted Signature]

Name (in block capitals)

J. NOLAN

Designation

CMO

Time

4.45 pm

Date

24/2/95

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent

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MEDICAL REPORT ON CHILD COMING INTO CARE

Surname Leonard Forenames Stacey
 Date of Birth

28	4	87
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 Age Sex F.
 Date of Admission Into Care

27	2	95
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 School/Nursery Attended Turntable PS.
 Examination Requested By SW Dept Child Accompanied By E. Ross SW Dept.
 Place of Examination Abey MC. Date of Examination

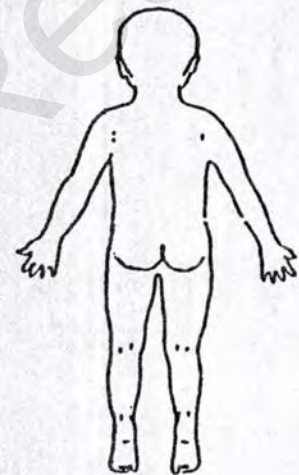
27	2	95
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9:15 AM

1 General Physical Appearance of Child

(Note especially any evidence of infection, neglect or injury)

Has WRTI +
 is a bit
 miserable.
 Bl. pharyngitis } → Cr?
 large neck glands
 (healed) bruise
 @ toe nail (big toe)



2 Measurements

Weight Kgs Percentile
 Height/Length Cms Percentile
 Head Circumference Cms Percentile

Comment

3 Physical Examination (Appropriate to Age and Circumstances)

	N/D/A	Comments
a) Skin and Hair	☐	<u>clear</u>
b) Teeth	☒	
c) Eyes	☒	
d) Ears, Nose and Throat	☒	
e) CVS	☒	
f) Blood Pressure (If Applicable)	☒	
g) Respiratory System	☒	
h) Alimentary System	☒	
i) Genitalia/Testes (Males Only)	☒	
j) Nervous System	☒	
k) Locomotion/Posture	☒	

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available **and** give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Hearing/Communication

Social/Behaviour

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Inadequate Information

7 Treatment Required (if any) and note of action taken

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Specify _____

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged ☐

Referred to
Specialist
Paediatrician ☐

Social Worker
Informed ☐

Specify _____

Signature of Doctor

Name (in block capitals)

Designation

Time

Date

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available and give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Hearing/Communication

Social/Behaviour

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

? Referred ENT

Occas anuresis, encephalitis at present.

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Inadequate Information

7 Treatment Required (if any) and note of action taken

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

M/R ✓

Specify _____

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged

☐

Referred to
Specialist
Paediatrician

☐

Social Worker
Informed

☐

Specify _____

Signature of Doctor

[Redacted Signature]

Name (in block capitals)

KANAND

Designation

SCMO

Time

12-45pm

Date

5/4/95

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent

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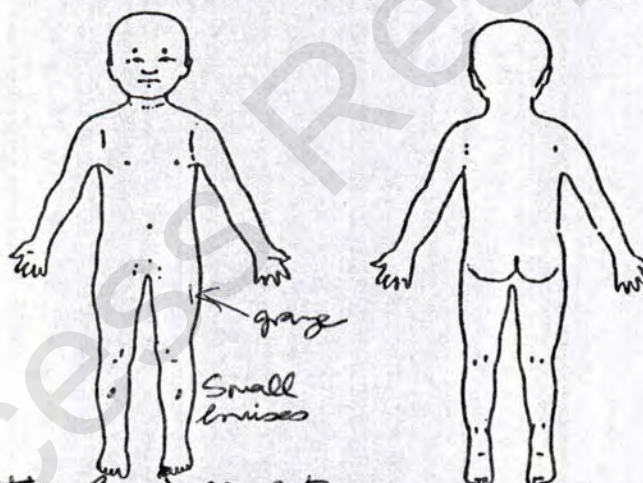
TRANSFER

MEDICAL REPORT ON CHILD COMING INTO CARE

Surname Leonardo Forenames STACEY
 Date of Birth 28 04 88 Age 6 Sex FEMALE
 Date of Admission Into Care 05 04 95 School/Nursery Attended TANNADICE
 Examination Requested By AMB. SWD Child Accompanied By LEONARDO
 Place of Examination ABBEN H. C. Date of Examination 14 4 95

1 General Physical Appearance of Child

(Note especially any evidence of infection, neglect or injury)

**2 Measurements**

Weight 17 Kgs _____ Percentile _____
 Height/Length not done Cms _____ Percentile _____
 Head Circumference _____ Cms _____ Percentile _____

Comment

3 Physical Examination (Appropriate to Age and Circumstances)

	N/D/A	Comments
a) Skin and Hair	☐	<u>Abalone</u>
b) Teeth	☐	
c) Eyes	☐	<u>Has glasses. Seeing optician today.</u>
d) Ears, Nose and Throat	☒	
e) CVS	☒	
f) Blood Pressure (If Applicable)	☐	
g) Respiratory System	☒	
h) Alimentary System	☒	
i) Genitalia/Testes (Males Only)	☐	
j) Nervous System	☒	
k) Locomotion/Posture	☒	

4 Developmental Assessment (Include Information from most recent screening with date if available and give impression from this contact)

Gross Motor

Fine Motor/Manipulative/Vision

Hearing/Communication

Social/Behaviour

5 Background Information Available at this Examination

(a) Past Medical History

? Attending ENT

Occas anuresis/encopresis .

(b) Family History

6 Do you consider this child to be at high risk from HIV or Hepatitis?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Inadequate Information

7 Treatment Required (if any) and note of action taken

8 Immunisation Status Complete?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Specify _____

9 Further Action Required Including:

(a) Further Investigation of identified or potential medical factors

(b) Further Developmental/Educational Assessment

(c) Other

10 Action Taken

Further Appointment
Arranged

☐

Referred to
Specialist
Paediatrician

☐

Social Worker
Informed

☒

Specify _____

Signature of Doctor

[Redacted Signature]

Name (in block capitals)

KANAND

Designation

SCMO

Time

9.30am

Date

14/4/95

Please give details of contact made with child's Social Worker/Parent/Foster Parent



Extract of an entry in a REGISTER of BIRTHS

Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965

BE 922445

District No.	369	Year	1988	Entry No.	128	N.H.S. No.	3	6	9	8	8	1	2	8
Birth registered in the district of ARBROATH														
1. Surname LEONARD												2. Sex F.		
Name(s) Stacey Louise														
3. When born 1988				4. Where born Infirmary, Arbroath										
April Twentyeighth														
0114 hours														
Mother's name(s) and surname Susan Ona Aitken Leonard										6. Maiden surname ----				
7. Mother's usual residence (if different from 4 above) 9, Lamley Terrace, Arbroath														
8. Father's name(s) and surname ----														
9. Occupation ----														
10. Date and place of parent's marriage		Year 19.....	Month --	Day --	Place ----									
11. Informant's signature and qualification (Signed)..... S. Leonard Mother														
12. When registered		Year 19.88	Month 5	Day 9	13. (Signed) C.E. Middleton Registrar									
14.														

Extracted from the Register of Births for the District of..... ARBROATH

on..... 11th September 1998



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PLANNING MEETING in respect of the Leonard Family, 9 Lamley Terrace, Arbroath, held on 26.4.94.

PRESENT: ✓ Mr I Ford, Senior Social Worker (Chair), Mrs D Wood, Health Visitor, Mrs A McLean, School Nurse

NOT PRESENT: Mr A Pritchard, Hayshead School, Mr P Melville, Court Liaison Officer, Sergeant M Napier, Tayside Police

Mr Melville indicated that he saw no relevance for his attendance as his role had been very clear in providing a report for the court.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] He has been sentenced to 18 months imprisonment on 6 charges concurrently and it is believed that his earliest release date might be December 1994.

Background of the Leonard Family

Susan Leonard and her children have been living in [REDACTED] house for a number of years and the family is well known to the Social Work Department and the Health Visitors and the School Nurse. The sexual abuse allegations against [REDACTED] had been around for a very long time and known to the different departments and the police had finally submitted all their evidence to the Procurator Fiscal and the result has been the charges brought in the court in March 1994. There have been concerns of various kinds regarding the children of Susan Leonard and these have been addressed as they arise by the different departments. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Current Circumstances

[REDACTED]
Mrs Wood noted that Susan Leonard appears to have made more of an effort recently regarding child care and there are no major concerns at present. [REDACTED] is of course in custody and is not posing any threat to any children in the household at present. It was noted that Susan Leonard's sister, [REDACTED] is present in the house more or less full-time, although she does have a house of her own, and it would appear that her daughter [REDACTED] is being cared for by Susan Leonard. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Mrs McLean indicated that she had limited contact with the Leonard children but was not aware of any cause for concern at present.

It is very clear that Susan Leonard and her sister [REDACTED] are extremely attached to [REDACTED] and do not believe his guilt at all. They state it has been other members of the family who have deliberately created all these allegations. Mr Ford has already visited them and explained to them the possible consequences of remaining in his household when he returns from custody. It should be noted that Susan Leonard is living in [REDACTED] house and she intends to pay off her rent arrears and gain a house of her own. [REDACTED] already has her own tenancy but both sisters remain clear that they would expect regular contact between their children and [REDACTED]

Recommended action:

The SWD will continue to be involved with this family to furnish the court with supplementary reports regarding the children and it is proposed that there will be a further Planning Meeting to look at the issues relating to Mr Leonard's release from custody nearer that time. An investigation at that time would lead to a decision about convening a Child Protection Case Conference and about making a referral to the Reporter. The next meeting will be held on 23.11.94 at 11 a.m. at the Social Work Department, Academy Lane, Arbroath. Consideration will be given to whom to invite.

[REDACTED]

IF/JP LSW.

C. ds.

2nd meeting on 11.11.94

1 SUBJECT CHILD

Unique No:		Date of Referral: 12.10.94
Surname:	LEONARD	Alias:
Forename(s):	STACEY	Alias:
Sex (M/F):	F	DoB (d/m/y): 28/04/88
Home Address (before removal to Care, Hospital or Place of Safety): 9 Lamley Terrace, Arbroath		
Current Address: (if different from above)		

2 REFERRAL

Name of Referrer: Carol Leonard	Agency/Status:
Address: [REDACTED]	
Details of Referral: Carol Leonard disclosed on 12.10.94 to Barbara Cowan, Social Worker that Anthony Hislop had been assaulting the children. Carol was aware of bruising to [REDACTED] arms.	
Specific Requests of Referrer: Social Work Department would investigate.	

3 ACTION CHECKLIST

	Date		Date
CIS Check:	12/10/94	Police:	12/10/94
Health Check:	12/10/94	School/Nursery/Pre-School:	holiday
Enter Referral on CIS:	12/10/94	Consultation SSW/Manager:	12/10/94

4 INVESTIGATING PERSONNEL

Date Report submitted for typing: 18.10.94

	Name:	Office:	Signature:	Date:
Lead Worker:	Cath Smart	Arbroath SWD		
2nd worker (if involved):	Barbara Cowan	Arbroath SWD		
SSW/Co-ordinator:	Mike Briggs	Arbroath SWD		
Manager:	Douglas Dunlop	Group Manager:		

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5 CHILD'S LIVING GROUP

MOTHER OR SUBSTITUTE	FATHER OR SUBSTITUTE
Surname: LEONARD Alias: Maiden Name: Forename(s): Susan DoB (d/m/y): 	Surname: Alias: Forename(s): DoB (d/m/y):
Relationship to Child: Birth Parent ☒ Adoptive Parent ☐ Step-Parent ☐ Relative ☐ Co-Hab ☐ Other ☐ Foster Parent ☐ If Relative or Other please specify	Relationship to Child: Birth Parent ☒ Adoptive Parent ☐ Step-Parent ☐ Relative ☐ Co-Hab ☐ Other ☐ Foster Parent ☐ If Relative or Other please specify

6 OTHER CHILDREN (if non resident, deceased or non sibling, state relationship to subject child)

Name	Sex	DoB	Relationship	Location

7 OTHER SIGNIFICANT ADULTS (including birth parents if not mentioned in 5)

Name	DoB	Address	Relationship to Child
Anthony Hislop (or Hoskins)	05/03/76	c/o 9 Lamley Terrace	Lives in same household
 	 	c/o 9 Lamley Terrace	Lives in same household

8 AGENCY LINKS

	Child's GP	Health Visitor	School/Nursery/Pre School Playgroup
Name:	Dr Hornsby	Doreen Wood	Hayshead PS, Arbroath
Address:	Abbey HC, Arbroath	Abbey HC, Arbroath	
Tel No:	0241-430303	0241-430303	

9 CHILD PROTECTION RECORD CHECK

Is/Was child's name on Register?	YES/NO	NO
If YES, which names?		
Date of de-registration, if appropriate (d/m/y):		
Details of Social Work Department record check:		

10 POLICE INVOLVEMENT IN REFERRAL

i Police Officer contacted or referring (delete if inapplicable)

Name: JOHN BARKER	Rank: PC	No:	Division: Central
Office: C. A. F. S. E. S FORFAR		Tel No:	<u>Eastern</u>
Time of Contact: 12.10 pm	Date of Contact: 12/10/94		Western

ii Did the Police indicate that they would investigate? (Y/N) YES

Investigating Officer: JOHN BARKER	Investigating Officer:
Rank: PC	Rank: No:
Station: C. A. F. S. E. S. FORFAR	Station:
Commencement date of Police investigation: 13/10/94	

iii Information provided and action taken by Police to date:

Police intend to charge [REDACTED] 3 Leonard children [REDACTED]	with numerous offences of assault against the
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iv Known Offenders (adults convicted of offences involving children):

Name:	Current Address:	
Previous Offence(s):	Date:	Court:
Name:	Current Address:	
Previous Offence(s):	Date:	Court:

v Proposed future action by Police:

11 MEDICAL INVESTIGATION (Y/N) [FIRST STAGE] YES

i	Dr (Name): Dr ANAND						
	Address: RAVENSWOOD, FORFAR						
	Tel No: 0307-466281						
	Date: 12/10/94						
	Location of Medical: RAVENSWOOD, FORFAR						
ii	Comment by medical practitioner on nature and extent of injuries: Brian has bruises on both upper arms. Right arm has print of thumb inside. Multiple small bruises on shins. Small bruises on right thigh. Little bleed into right eye. Perforation of right eardrum. Has asthma and should have an inhaler. History Brian gave was consistent with injuries. History of wrestling with Gino and being punched by him.						
iii	Outcome of medical investigation (tick appropriate box): <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Strong medical evidence of abuse:</td> <td>☒</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diagnosis uncertain:</td> <td>☐</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No indication of abuse:</td> <td>☐</td> </tr> </table>	Strong medical evidence of abuse:	☒	Diagnosis uncertain:	☐	No indication of abuse:	☐
Strong medical evidence of abuse:	☒						
Diagnosis uncertain:	☐						
No indication of abuse:	☐						
	Proceed to Specialist Assessment: (Y/N) Y						

12 SPECIALIST ASSESSMENT -BRIAN

Dr (Name): HADAD	Dr (Name): JONES
Status: Paediatric Registrar	Status: Forensic Surgeon
Address: Ninewells Hospital	Address: Police HQ, Bell St. Dundee
Place of Examination:	Place of Examination: Ninewells Hospital
Date: 13/10/94	Date: 13/10/94
Were X-rays taken? (Y/N) NO	
Were photographs taken? (Y/N)	
Any other medical tests? (Please specify)	

Outcome of medical investigation regarding evidence of abuse
(tick appropriate box):

Remarks:

Definite:

X

Probable:

Uncertain:

No indication:

Injuries consistent with being hit with hard object
Grip marks also present. Medical examiners felt that
force involved was excessive.

13 RECORD OF INVESTIGATION

i Summary of actions taken (times/dates):

11/10/94 3.40 pm Carol Leonard, sister of Susan Leonard telephoned the Social Work Department stating Susan [REDACTED] and she wished someone to visit as soon as possible.

4.30 pm Joint visit to 9 Lamely Terrace by Cath Smart, Social Worker and Barbara Cowan, Social Worker. When we arrived at the house Susan was in a very distressed state. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Carol Leonard had telephoned Dr Hornsby but he was unable to visit at that time. Susan stated to us that she felt unable to cope with life. The children, [REDACTED] would not do as they are told [REDACTED] Susan stated she was frightened she may harm the children if they remained in the house. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Barbara Cowan and myself agreed we would try and find some Respite care for the children as it was clear to us Susan was not coping. Also in the house was Anthony Hislop, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Carol Leonard stated she would not be able to stay the night with Susan and she was worried about her. [REDACTED]

5.40 pm Discussed the situation with Douglas Dunlop, Child Care Manager and Lorraine Turnbull, Child Care Manager, who agreed Respite care should be sought tonight. Barbara Cowan also contacted the GP, Dr Hornsby who agreed to visit after surgery.

6.30 pm We returned to 9 Lamely Terrace and informed Susan we were hoping to provide Respite Care for her 3 children [REDACTED] Stacey) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Dr Hornsby had visited and prescribed sedatives for Susan. He asked her to consider some time in Sunnyside Royal Hospital but at this stage Susan declined. After the GP left Susan did agree to go to Sunnyside the next day. [REDACTED]

7.30 pm Telephone call from Lorraine Turnbull, Child Care Manager. Jack and Sue Harrison, Fern Lodge, by Brechin are able to provide Respite. Medicals to be arranged first thing tomorrow morning.

7.40 pm Telephone call to Jack Harrison. Children to be taken to Fern after we have discussed things with Susan.

8 pm. Joint home visit to Susan Leonard. Susan agreed to the children being received into care on a voluntary basis. The children had been playing outside for most of the day and were rather grubby. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The house was sparsely furnished and unkempt. There were piles of dirty washing in the kitchen. Susan stated she had asked for help approximately 2 weeks ago but no Respite was available at that time.

The children were quite happy to come with us. None of them had any clean clothes or pyjamas and they borrowed their mother's toothbrush and toothpaste. Susan agreed to the children being medicalled the next morning. When we left there were still a number of adolescent males in the house along with Susan, Carol and [REDACTED]

12.10.94. 11.45 am. Barbara Cowan, Social Worker made a home visit to Carol Leonard. Susan had agreed to go to Sunnyside Royal Hospital today. During the interview Carol Leonard stated to Barbara Cowan that "Gino" (known as Anthony Hislop) had been assaulting the children. She also made a reference to bruising on [REDACTED] arms.

12.30 pm. Discussion with Douglas Dunlop re above. The Police were contacted at this stage following the allegations from Carol Leonard.

12.35 pm. Telephone call to Dr Annand, CMO, Ravenswood. Dr Annand examined the children. She found bruising on [REDACTED] arms and [REDACTED] explanation was that Gino had punched him. No bruising was found on [REDACTED] Stacey.

4 pm. Joint home visit to Carol Leonard by Cath Smart, Social Worker and Barbara Cowan, Social Worker. Carol was still at Sunnyside Royal Hospital with Susan. "Gino" answered the door. He could not tell us when Carol would be back. [REDACTED]

4.45 pm. Telephone call from Police in Forfar. They have agreed to visit [REDACTED] jointly with Social Worker tomorrow.

5 pm. Discussed with Mike Briggs, Senior Social Worker and Douglas Dunlop, Child Care Manager. Both agreed Barbara Cowan and myself visit Carol Leonard this evening [REDACTED]

5.15 pm. Telephone call to Ward 27, Sunnyside Royal Hospital. [REDACTED] We agreed to visit tomorrow morning.

6.15 pm. Joint visit to 9 Lamely Terrace by Cath Smart and Barbara Cowan. "Gino" and [REDACTED] answered the door. We asked if Carol was there. We were informed she had left 5 minutes before [REDACTED]

13.10.94. 10 am. Joint visit to Susan Leonard, Ward 27, Sunnyside Royal Hospital by Cath Smart, Social Worker and Barbara Cowan, Social Worker. We informed Susan about the bruising on [REDACTED] arms and that the Police would like to talk to [REDACTED] with us as he has made allegations. We also asked Susan if she would agree to further medicals if need be. Susan agreed/

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Susan agreed initially, she wished Carol to be present during the Police interview but she then agreed to Barbara Cowan and myself being present. Susan also stated that Gino had grabbed [REDACTED] by the top of the arms in an attempt to restrain him. She had noticed bruising. Susan stated [REDACTED] has temper tantrums [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Susan also stated that she had noticed "quite bad" bruising on [REDACTED] after Gino grabbed him. She also stated [REDACTED] does what Gino and [REDACTED] tell him and she felt comfortable with the way Gino was handling [REDACTED]

13.10.94. 11 am. Joint interview with [REDACTED] by Cath Smart, Social Worker and John Barker, Tayside Police. [REDACTED] was asked if he knew why he was at Jack and Sue Harrison's. He replied it was because his mum is not feeling well. [REDACTED] was then asked about the bruises on his arms. He willingly showed us the bruising. He was then asked how it happened. He stated it was done by a big boy who goes to the pub. He was asked his name and replied "Gino". He informed us Gino stays at his house - he's been there a few weeks and he's moving in next door with [REDACTED] then stated Gino teaches me and my sisters to fight. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] then informed us he has been fighting with Ninja swords and knives. [REDACTED] He stated his Dad also has swords and "we get a loan of them". He stated that at his Dad's he doesn't use real swords and knives, they are wooden, but with Gino they are real. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] then informed us there was a gun in the house (a rifle). [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also said Gino throws knives at him. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was asked what happens when Gino comes home from the Pub. He stated he's "snottered" then demonstrated by pretending to be drunk. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He goes into Stacey [REDACTED] room and hits them. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Throughout the interview [REDACTED] was chirpy and full of bravado. He became upset and distressed when he told us about Gino hitting him and his sisters in the evening.

12.30 pm. Discussed the above with Douglas Dunlop, Child Care Manager who agreed Stacey and [REDACTED] should also be interviewed and Susan Leonard's permission sought. We then went to Montrose Police Station to discuss matters with Sergeant Napier, CAFSES. He agreed girls should be spoken to [REDACTED]

2.15 pm. Joint visit to Susan Leonard at Sunnyside Royal Hospital. We informed Susan that we would also like to speak to Stacey [REDACTED] with the Police. Susan agreed to this and stated there were no bruises on either of the girls. We informed her we would be present and would be in contact with her tomorrow.

[REDACTED]

3.30 pm. Joint interview with Stacey [REDACTED] Leonard at carers home by Cath Smart, Social Worker, Sergeant Mike Napier and WPC Jane Cassidy, CAFSES.

Both girls were asked if they knew why they were at Mr and Mrs Harrison's. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Stacey stated mum couldn't cope. We asked the girls who lived at home and they named everyone including "Gino". We asked who Gino was and Stacey replied "Uncle Gino stays with [REDACTED]". The girls were asked if they liked Gino. Stacey said "no". [REDACTED] Stacey was asked why she didn't like Gino. [REDACTED] replied "he skelps your arse".

The girls were then asked if Gino had a job. Stacey stated "yes he fights with [REDACTED]". She stated [REDACTED] had lots of bruises all over. "Gino kicks and punches him". They were asked if Gino does naughty things to them. Stacey stated "yes he twists my arm up my back and smacks my bottom". [REDACTED] They were asked if he does anything else. "Yes he tickles us". We were then interrupted. The girls were asked where Gino tickles them. [REDACTED] replied "under our arms and on our throats". At this stage the girls became quite fidgety and we asked if they were bored. Stacey stated her brother was away to the Doctor and that she had sore ears, sore legs and a sore finger. We then ended the interview.

14.10.94. Discussion with Mike Briggs, Senior Social Worker. Carol Leonard had tried to contact Cath Smart and Barbara Cowan on 13.10.94. Agreed to come into office today to talk to Mike Briggs and Barbara Cowan re the allegations.

14.10.94. 5.30 pm. Joint visit to Susan Leonard at Sunnyside Royal Hospital by Cath Smart, Social Worker and Barbara Cowan, Social Worker. We informed Susan that the bruises on [REDACTED] arms had been caused by a great deal of force and [REDACTED] had stated Gino had done it. We also asked Susan if she was afraid of Gino as Carol had stated to Barbara Cowan that both of them were. Susan stated she wasn't afraid of him and that [REDACTED] did what Gino told him as he wouldn't listen to her. She stated/

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She stated she had no control over [REDACTED] and she couldn't cope with him. We advised Susan that she must ensure Gino is not in the house when she returns and she must protect the children from him because of the allegations. Susan stated she did not want Gino to leave because her boyfriend, [REDACTED] would also leave [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] We made it very clear that the children could not return as long as Gino was there but that she would receive help and support from the Department to enable her to cope at home. Susan appeared to understand what was being said but was unable to state that she would ask Gino to leave. We informed Susan that the children were happy and well at Sue and Jack Harrison's and they would remain there meantime.

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ii Family history and current situation:

Susan and family currently reside at the tenancy of her father, [REDACTED] Carol Leonard and her daughter, [REDACTED] also spend a considerable time at this address.

Susan and children have presented as a chaotic and unstructured family with a high incidence of unrelated young adult males frequenting and living at the tenancy. Susan and Carol have had difficulty in presenting this.

Focus of work has laterly been around safety, parenting and practical household business.

There is also the issue of the likely return of [REDACTED] who is a Schedule 1 Offender to the family on his release from prison in December 1994.

iii Assessment of Risk to subject child; other children in the household; and proposed responses/support:

It is clear that [REDACTED] at least, has suffered physical abuse at the hands of Anthony Hislop. Other siblings report rough treatment from this adult.

The children's mother, Susan Leonard, was not able to give adequate protection to the children due to her low emotional state and her fear of the alleged perpetrator.

In addition, routine's were breaking down within the family, and children acting out accordingly. In summary, there exists a substantial risk to the children whilst their mother is unable to protect them.

14 PROTECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

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|-----|--|-------|---|
| i | Recommend convening case conference? | (Y/N) | Y |
| ii | Referral to Reporter? | (Y/N) | Y |
| iii | Action proposed to advise referrer of outcome: _____ | | |
| iv | Other _____ | | |

15 CONFERENCE INVITEES/MANAGER'S COMMENTS IF NO CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION

Barbara Cowan	Social Worker	Academy Lane
Mike Briggs	Snr Social Worker	Academy Lane
Cath Smart	Social Worker	Academy Lane
Wilma Graham	Social Work Asst	Academy Lane
Moir Burford	Hayshead Primary School	
Arthur Pritchard	Hayshead Primary School	
Charge Nurse	Sunnyside Royal Hospital	
Jack Harrison	Foster Carer	
Ros Stewart	Link Worker, Broomfield Res. Centre, Montrose	

Reception into Care Meeting

held at SUNNYSIDE HOSPITAL, MONTROSE on 18.10.94

on

[REDACTED]
STACEY LEONARD (6)
[REDACTED]

Home Address: 9 Lamley Terrace
ARBROATH

Mother's Address: As above

Father's Address: Mother did not wish to divulge

Siblings: [REDACTED]

Placement Date: 11 October 1994

Legal Statute: Section 15 of the 1968 Social Work (Scotland) Act

Religion: Mother has no particularly strong views

Ethnicity: White, Scottish

Present at Meeting:

Ms Susan Leonard	Mother
Carol Leonard	Auntie
[REDACTED]	Subject
Mr Harrison	Foster Carer
Ros Stuart	Resource Worker - Family Placement Team
Barbara Cowan	Social Worker
Mike Briggs	Senior Social Worker
Sheena Reigate	Manager, Child and Family Centre
Erica Wood	Resource Worker
Christine Duncan	Nurse, Sunnyside
Peter Pope	Community Assessment and Review Officer, Chair and Notetaker

Apologies:

Hayshead School

Background and Reasons for Reception into Care

Parents

Ms Leonard said she had been depressed and felt she was not coping. She felt she needed "time out" in Sunnyside to sort herself out and give herself a breather.

Social Worker

Barbara Cowan has been involved with Ms Leonard for a few weeks. She had noted her to be particularly depressed recently. She had been struggling to cope [REDACTED]

which had put additional pressure on mum. There were other pressures on mum at home, following the children coming into care, child protection investigations occurred in connection with these.

It was said that another adult in the household who had been seen as part of the difficulties for Ms Leonard and the children, was now on remand on a separate business and was, therefore for the meantime anyway, out of circulation.

Why does young person have to remain in care?

Who/what has to change for young person to move out of care?

Ms Leonard's mental health needs to be at such a level that she feels able to care competently for her children. It is anticipated that this will be so in the near future.

Appropriateness of Placement

Carers

Mr Harrison said all the children had settled remarkably well. He said they all ate well and were sleeping well.

Social Worker

Felt to be satisfactory as a short term measure.

Childrens Rights Information and Plastic Card/"I'm Glad I Told" Leaflet

Not relevant.

Was extended family/friends fully explored for placement purposes?

Yes. This was found not to be possible for any members of the extended family. However, it was noted that Ms Leonard's sister, Carol, took an active part in supporting Ms Leonard.

Medical Issues

All the children had medicals immediately following coming into care. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has grommets, as does Stacey.

[REDACTED]

Stacey was taken to the opticians by the Harrisons to get her glasses fixed, they were apparently bent. This is being attended to.

Education Issues

[REDACTED]

The children were temporarily transferred to Tannadice School from Hayshead, this was primarily because of the risk from the adult already mentioned earlier in this report. It was said that generally when youngsters came into care staff tried to avoid children moving school as this lead to further upset. Mr Harrison said that the children, so far seemed reasonably happy at their new school. It was viewed as a very short term measure.

Access

This is basically open, ie the Social Work Department is not placing any barriers on Ms Leonard of the extended family contacting and seeing the children. It was said access would be encouraged, and Ms Leonard said she felt able to contact the Harrisons directly, this was acceptable to the Harrisons too. It was also said that phone calls were viewed as a good thing for the children to receive to keep them in touch with their family.

Discussion

Ms Leonard felt there were a number of things with which she would like help to assist her resume satisfactory care of the children. These were:

- 2 Support and guidance to Ms Leonard to encourage her to be able to manage [REDACTED] in a consistent and positive way.
- 3 Help regarding diet and budgeting, and practical domestic tasks.
- 4 Support directly to Ms Leonard herself to assist her talk out her problems rather than keeping them to herself. [REDACTED]

The above was seen as being necessary in order to assist Ms Leonard avoid requesting reception into care for the children in the future. It was said that the children coming in and out of care was not good for their long term welfare.

Care Plan

For rehabilitation, that is the children to return to the care of their mother.

Recommendations in support of Care Plan

- 1 Ms Leonard to follow the medical advice given by staff at Sunnyside Hospital.
- 2 Barbara Cowan, in conjunction with Ms Leonard to formulate a package of support to assist her cope with life in general, and in particular the care of her children, as outlined in the discussion part of this summary.
- 3 Carol Leonard to be involved in offering support to her sister as appropriate.

Date and Place of next Review

It was anticipated that the children will leave care in approximately one week to ten days time. It was agreed that a fall-back date should be set for another review on **Tuesday 15 November 1994 at 2.00 pm, at Catherine Street Resource Centre, Arbroath**. It was agreed the likelihood would be that this meeting would be cancelled, ie the children will have returned home and, therefore, such a meeting will not be necessary. Should parties with the meeting to go ahead for other reasons, for example to look at the success or otherwise of the package of support, then people to contact Peter Pope who will chair this meeting.

Should the meeting be cancelled, Peter Pope will endeavour to inform all parties.



Peter Pope
Community Assessment and Review Officer
20 October 1994

Copies to:

All Present
Dougie Dunlop, Childcare Manager
Alan Baird, Group Manager

APPENDIX B2: CASE CONFERENCE

1. MINUTE

(i)	Conference Type:	INITIAL	Date:	3 November 1994
	Subject Child(ren): -	STACEY LEONARD 9 LAMLEY TERRACE ARBROATH	DoB: -	28/04/88
	Chair (name):	Mr D Dunlop	Group Manager:	Alan Baird
	Office:	Arbroath SWD	Office:	Academy Lane Arbroath
	Tel No:	0241 878585	Tel No:	0241 878585
(iii)	Participants Present			
	<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Report Submitted</u> (Y/N)
	Mr M Briggs	Snr Social Worker	Arbroath SWD	N
	Ms C Smart	Social Worker	Arbroath SWD	Y
	Mrs B Cowan	Social Worker	Arbroath SWD	Y
	Mrs E Ross	Social Worker	Arbroath SWD	N
	Mrs W Graham	Social Work Assistant	Arbroath SWD	N
	Mrs A McLean	School Nurse	Angus NHS Trust	N
	Mrs D Wood	Health Visitor	Angus NHS Trust	N
	Mr A Pritchard	Head Teacher	Hayshead Primary	N
	Mrs M Burford	Asst Head	Hayshead Primary	N
	Mr J Harrison	Foster Carer	Fern Lodge, Fern	N
	Mrs S Harrison	Foster Carer	Fern Lodge, Fern	N
	Mrs R Stuart	Link Worker	Broomfield Res Centre	N
	Ms S Leonard	Mother	9 Lamley Terrace	N
	Ms C Leonard	Maternal Aunt	95 Strathmore Avenue	N
	Mrs J Harvey	Minute Taker	Arbroath SWD	N
(iv)	Absent/Unable to Attend			
	<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Report Submitted</u> (Y/N)
	Sgt M Napier	Sgt	Tayside Police	N
	*Dr K Anand	Snr CMO	Angus NHS Trust	N
	*Dr E Cockburn	CMO	Angus NHS Trust	N
	**Mrs J Cruickshank	Locality Manager	Angus NHS Trust	N
	**Dr A Hornsby	GP	Abbey Health Centre	N
	*Mrs J McFatridge	Area Reporter	Children's Panel	N
	**Ms C Duncan	Charge Nurse	Ward 27 Sunnyside	N
	*APOLOGIES RECEIVED **APOLOGIES NOT RECEIVED			
	Copies also to:			
	Mr J Gilruth	Asst PO (Child Protection)	SWD	N
	Ms L Paterson	Co-ordinator (OOHS)	SWD	N

NB Attach all previous sections - Chair to check information for correctness at outset

- (v) Summary of Discussion etc:
 [To be read in conjunction with all previous sections]
 (Continuation sheets to be attached)

The Case Conference was convened in order to discuss and assess the situation with regard to [redacted] Stacey [redacted] Leonard and to decide whether or not their names should be placed on the Child Protection Register.

A report prepared by Ms C Smart and Mrs B Cowan (Social Workers) was circulated prior to the meeting.

Social Worker

Ms Smart informed the meeting that Ms C Leonard had telephoned the Social Work Department on 11 October 1994 stating [redacted] and requested that the Social Work Department visit. Ms Smart and Mrs Cowan had visited and had found Ms S Leonard to be in a very distressed state. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was not coping with the children, [redacted] Ms C Leonard had contacted her sister's GP, however he had been unable to visit at that time. Mrs Cowan had later telephoned Dr Hornsby from the Social Work Department. Ms Leonard was concerned about her sister being left to care for the children and Ms S Leonard had stated that she could not guarantee the children's safety that evening. Ms Leonard's GP had visited that evening and prescribed sedatives, however Ms Leonard did not want to go to Sunnyside Hospital at that time. A respite place was found for the children with Mr & Mrs Harrison that evening.

Mrs Cowan reported that she had visited the following morning when Ms Leonard's GP had been present, at which time Ms Leonard agreed to go into Sunnyside for a break. Ms C Leonard had also been present and had expressed her concern to Mrs Cowan that the children were being 'battered' by 'Gino' (Anthony or James Hislop) and there had been bruising on [redacted] arms. At the reception into care medical later that day Dr Anand had noted bruising to [redacted] arms and when questioned [redacted] had stated that Gino had punched him.

Ms S Leonard

[redacted] According to Ms Leonard [redacted] and Gino played together but at times the play was very rough. Ms Leonard had been too frightened to say anything. [redacted]

[redacted] Ms Leonard stated that Gino had been in the household for approximately 4 - 5 months.

Ms Smart informed the meeting that the Police had been contacted after [redacted] had made the allegations against Gino. Ms Leonard had given permission for [redacted] to be interviewed, and when asked, [redacted] had stated that his mother was in Sunnyside as she needed a rest. In relation to the bruises, [redacted] had stated that Gino had grabbed him and punched him. [redacted] had then stated that Gino had been teaching him martial arts games, had been trying to toughen him up and had used knives and swords.

[redacted]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Ms Leonard returned home on 28 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Ms Smart informed the meeting that [REDACTED] Stacey had also been interviewed. When asked if they liked Gino, Stacey stated that she didn't [REDACTED] Stacey had also said that Gino twisted her arm up her back and smacked her bottom. Stacey had stated that Gino fought with [REDACTED] and that he had bruises all over when Gino kicked and punched him.

All 3 children had been received into care with Mr & Mrs Harrison since that time.

Foster Carers

Mrs Harrison informed the meeting that the children had been fine and thought of it as a holiday. Mrs Harrison had noted the bruises on [REDACTED] when he had been received into care and had brought them to the attention of the Social Work Department. The children appeared to understand that their mother was not well and needed a rest. Mrs Harrison reported that Stacey had been very moody whilst in care and was a very deep child. Stacey was upset when she had seen her mother. She had initially complained of being unwell, however this had phased out over the past week.

Link Worker

Mrs Stuart felt that the children had settled very well in their placement, although Stacey was missing home.

School

[REDACTED]

Mrs Burford reported no problems with Stacey and she appeared to be more settled in class. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was noted that there was an agreement that Ms S Leonard dealt with the children at home whilst Ms C Leonard dealt with the children at school.

School Nurse

Mrs McLean informed the meeting that the growth of the children had been satisfactory, although it was noted that Stacey was quite a small child. Stacey/

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Stacey had been seen in January 1994 for her primary one medical at which time there had been problems with her hearing and eyesight. Mrs McLean had not seen Tammy as yet.

Health Visitor

Mrs Wood reported that she had visited the family for a number of years. During this time there had been one or 2 concerns but not in relation to physical abuse. Since Tammy had started school Mrs Wood's contact had almost stopped. Mrs Wood had visited the family approximately 6 weeks ago. Mrs Wood reported that there had been problems in relation to Stacey's hearing and eyesight, [REDACTED]

Social Work Assistant

Mrs Graham informed the meeting that she had visited on 3 occasions as Ms S Leonard had requested help with budgeting and cooking. Mrs Graham's last visit had been on the day when the children were received into care. At that time Stacey had been very withdrawn and was crying and complaining of stomach pains and sore legs. Mrs Graham had suggested that Stacey be taken back to her GP.

Previous History

It was noted that there had been a Case Conference in respect of the children in 1992 which was tied in with a contentious matrimonial proceedings between Ms S Leonard and her ex partner's family. [REDACTED] A number of allegations had been made regarding the condition of the home. At that time the children's names had not been placed on the Child Protection Register. Ms Leonard's stepfather (Mr Leonard) had been living with her at the time. He had since been imprisoned for 18 months for sexual offences against his own family and was due for discharge in December 1994. Ms S Leonard stated that he would not be returning to live with her. Ms C Leonard stated that a meeting was to be held to discuss this on 23 November 1994. [REDACTED]

Mr Dunlop informed the meeting that at the time of the last Case Conference the conditions in the home were found to be acceptable. Mrs Wood reported that the conditions in the home had been average. An offer to help clean up the home had been made but Mr Leonard had refused and had cleaned and decorated the house himself. Mr Leonard appeared to cook when he was at home which may explain why Ms S Leonard had not developed these skills. Mrs Wood informed the meeting that when she had visited the children a fire was always lit and there was evidence of food. There had previously been concern expressed in relation to the number of dogs in the home. However, Ms S Leonard stated that she now only had one dog. Ms C Leonard also had a dog which she brought round to her sister's when she visited.

Summary/

The Case Conference had been convened in response to an allegation that [REDACTED]

[redacted] had been physically abused by Anthony or James Hislop k/a Gino. This abuse was alleged to have taken place within the family home where Gino had been resident for 4 - 5 months. Ms S Leonard had been aware of the abuse to some extent but felt unable to challenge Gino as he was physically threatening. From information given by the children it would appear that the abuse was wide ranging and affected all the children. The situation in the home at the time had affected Ms Leonard's health resulting in an admission to Sunnyside the day after the children's reception into care. Ms Leonard had been discharged after a period of 17 days [redacted]

[redacted] It should be noted that Ms Leonard's stepfather [redacted] was due to be released from prison in December 1994.

It was noted that the Social Work Department had not made a referral to the Reporter to the Children's Panel although the Police were to be referring the matter. Mrs Cowan reported that Ms S Leonard had initially hoped to have the children returned to her care after a few days, however she realised that she need a break and was benefiting from it. Mrs Cowan informed the meeting that there had been difficulties with the council as the standard of cleanliness in the house had slipped as Ms S Leonard had been depressed. The council had contacted Ms C Leonard and had given 2 weeks for the house to be cleaned or it would be locked up. As there was a lot of work to be done it was agreed that the children should remain in their current placement for the time being. It was hoped that the children could return home on 7 November. Ms S Leonard stated that she was waiting for a Community Care Grant to help with the decorating.

It was noted that whilst in care the children had been attending Tannadice Primary School. They appeared to be coping well [redacted]

Registration

A discussion then took place with regard to whether or not [redacted] Stacey [redacted] names should be placed on the Child Protection Register.

It was unanimously agreed to place the children's names on the Child Protection Register under the following categories:

Stacey [redacted]

Physical Abuse (Very Suspicious)
Physical Neglect (At Risk)

It was felt that Social Work involvement was required to help prevent a similar situation reoccurring and to ensure the children's continued safety. Help was also required in relation to Ms S Leonard's management of the children and with routines. It was noted however that Ms C Leonard and Ms S Leonard had come forward to report the abuse which was positive.

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Recommendations and Agreed Tasks:Person/Agency Responsible:

- 1 It was unanimously agreed to place [REDACTED] Stacey [REDACTED] names on the Child Protection Register.
- 2 Social Work Department to make a referral to the Reporter to the Children's Panel.
- 3 Social Work Department, in conjunction with other agencies, to address 2 primary areas of work:
 - a) that the children are kept safe from physical harm
 - b) to assist in Ms S Leonard's management and care of the children.
- 4 A Planning Meeting would be held to discuss the details of the work. This meeting would tie in with the discharge from care meeting.
- 5 Mrs Ross to be keyworker.
- 6 A Planning Meeting to consider the implementation of [REDACTED] discharge from prison had been set up for 23 November.

(vii) Should Child(ren) be referred to the Reporter? (Y/N): YES

If Y ... who will provide Report?

If N ... state reasons why:

Is Child subject to Statutory Care Order? (Y/N):

(viii) Was concern such that Child has been Registered? (Y/N): YES

Date of Registration (d/m/y): 3 November 1994

2. AREA OF IDENTIFIED ABUSE (See Guidelines)

Area of Abuse [1]	Physical Abuse	Level of Certainty: Stacey [REDACTED] - Very Suspicious
Area of Abuse [2] (Optional)	[REDACTED] Stacey [REDACTED] Physical Neglect	Level of Certainty: At Risk

3. IF OUTCOME DEREGISTRATION, REASONS

Please detail below:

4. OTHER DETAILS

(i) Dissent:

(ii) Other:

5. CORE WORKERS

Case Co-ordinator: Mr M Briggs

Keyworker: Mrs E Ross

Office: Arbroath SWD

Office: Arbroath SWD

Tel No: 0241 878585

Tel No: 0241 878585

Other Core Workers or Agencies involved in Case:

Agency Name or Worker
Name and Designation

Address

Tel No

6. NEXT CONFERENCE

(i) Date of Next Conference (d/m/y): 26 April 1994

(ii) Details of any other agencies or individuals to be invited:

(ii) Minute prepared by

Signature: [REDACTED]

Designation: Manager (C, YP & F) Arbroath/Carnoustie

Date (d/m/y): 25/11/94

Group Manager (Signature): [REDACTED]

25/11/94

CONFIDENTIALITY

The information in this document is confidential to you and must not be disclosed to any other person or agency without the written consent of the Case Conference Chairman.

NOTE TO ADDRESSEES

If you disagree with any aspect of this report you should contact the District Manager immediately in writing. If you agree with the content please return the acknowledgement below.

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Please do not write on this tear off slip

To: Group Manager, SWD, Academy Lane, Arbroath

I have received a copy of the Minute of the Case Conference

held on (d/m/y): 3 November 1994 regarding: [REDACTED] STACEY [REDACTED] LEONARD

and agree with the content and recommendations.

Signature:

Date:

APPENDIX K

CHILD PROTECTION PLAN

Date of Latest Network Meeting (where applicable) 14/12/95

Name of Child: Stacey LEONARD Date of Birth 28/04/88

Address: c/o Mrs Claffey, 49 Millfield Road, ARBROATH

Name(s) and Address of Parents/Carers (where not parents, specify relationship to child):

Susan LEONARD, 26 Seton Terrace, KENNOWAY, Fife.

Statutory Status of Registered Child: Section 44(1)(a) Place

Is the suspected perpetrator in the child's usual household? Y/N

If not, is a return to the household considered likely? Y/N

What is their relationship to the child (specify even if only "neighbour".
"stranger" etc)

Mother

Other children in the Child's Usual Household Relationship to Registered Child

[REDACTED] 1/2 Sibling

[REDACTED] Sibling

Date of Latest

Conference/Review: 14/12/95 Date of Next Review: June 1996

Nature of Abuse/Neglect: _____ Level(s) of Certainty: _____

Key Protection Issues:

1. Children currently in care, in the process of rehabilitation to mother.
2. Concerns are present in terms of Susan Leonard's parenting skills, and her ability to keep the children safe in her care.
3. Children were previously assaulted by an adult living in the family home.

AGREED TASKS

Agency	Task	Timescale/Frequency of Contact	Worker/ Substitute
Social Work Department	Key Worker - visit to children in placement to keep in touch with their progress. Seeking and receiving information from other key agencies. Direct work with children.	Weekly	Elizabeth Ross
Social Work Department	Direct work with children.	Weekly	Barbara Cowan
Social Work Department	Assessment work with children.	Weekly	Isabel Naylor
Education Department	Oversee children's educational progress, and note any significant issues to Key Worker.	Daily	Inver. Primary School
Foster Carer	Full-time care of children. Feedback.	Full-time care	Mrs Claffey
Foster Carer (Respite)	Respite care for children..	As arranged	
Parent	Co-operation with rehabilitation work. Arrangement of transport to and from access.	As per working agreement.	Susan Lessells

Date of Next Network Meeting: March 1996

Venue: Abbey Health Centre, Arbroath

Key Worker: Elizabeth Ross

Senior Social Worker: Mike Briggs

Office Location and Tel No: Arbroath SWD, Academy Lane - 01241 878585

Parent(s)/Carer(s): Susan Lessells

CHILD PROTECTION PLAN

Date of Latest Network Meeting (where applicable) 24/05/95

Name of Child: Stacey LEONARD Date of Birth 28/04/88

Address: c/o McConachie, Braeminzion, Glen Clova, by KIRRIEMUIR

Names(s) and Address of Parents/Carers (where not parents, specify relationship to child):

Susan Leonard, 71 Denvale Gardens, Kennoway, FIFE

Name(s) and Address of Alternative Carers, where appropriate:

Respite Carer - Dorothy Archer, Dunlea, The Smithy, St. Vigean, Arbroath

Statutory Status of Registered Child: Section 44(1)(a) Place

Is the suspected perpetrator in the child's usual household? Y/N

If not, is a return to the household considered likely? Y/N

What is their relationship to the child (specify even if only "neighbour". "stranger" etc) Mother, adult living in home.

Other Children in Child's Usual Household	Relationship to Registered Child
<u>[REDACTED]</u>	<u>Sibling</u>
<u>[REDACTED]</u>	<u>Sibling</u>

Date of Latest

Conference/Review: 24/05/95 Date of Next Review: 08/11/95

Physical Abuse

Physical Neglect

Nature of Abuse/Neglect: Very suspicious Level(s) of Certainty: At Risk

Key Protection Issues:

1 Child and siblings physically abused by adult living in family.

Child's mother was unable to protect children from this abuse.

2 Standards of hygiene and general routines in the home have slipped as

3 mother's general emotional health was deteriorating. Mr Thomas Leonard,

4 child's step grandfather, has been released from prison, and wishes contact

with the children. Mr Leonard is a convicted Schedule 1 Offender.

AGREED TASKS

Agency	Task	Timescale/Frequency of Contact	Worker/ Substitute
S. W. D.	Key Worker - visit to children in placement to keep in touch with their progress. Seeking and receiving information from other key agencies. Direct work with children.	Weekly	Elizabeth Ross S. W.
S. W. D.	Direct work with children.	Weekly	Barbara Cowan S. W.
S. W. D.	Assessment work with family.	Weekly	Isabel Naylor SWA
Education Department	Oversee children's educational progress, and note any significant issues to Key Worker.	Daily	Margaret Pollock H. T. Tannadice P. S.
Foster Carer	Full care of children. Feedback	Full time care	Ann McConachie
Foster Carer (respite)	Respite care for children.	As arranged.	Dorothy Archer
Parent	Cooperation with rehabilitation work. Arrangement of transport to and from access.	As per working agreement	Susan Leonard

Date of next Network Meeting: August 1995

Venue: Abbey Health Centre, Arbroath

Key Worker: Elizabeth Ross

Senior Social Worker: Mike Briggs

Office Location and Tel No: Arbroath Social Work Department

Parent(s)/Carer(s): Susan Leonard

CHILD PROTECTION PLAN

Date of Latest Network Meeting (where applicable) 06/03/95Name of Child: Stacey LEONARD Date of Birth 28/04/88Address: c/o McConachie, Braeminzion, Glen Clova, by Kirriemuir

Names(s) and Address of Parents/Carers (where not parents, specify relationship to child):

Susan Leonard, 71 Denvale Gardens, Kennoway, FIFE.

Name(s) and Address of Alternative Carers, where appropriate:

Respite Carer - Dorothy Archer, Dunlea, The Smithy, St. Vigean, ARBROATHStatutory Status of Registered Child: S44(1)(a) Place

Is the suspected perpetrator in the child's usual household? Y/N

If not, is a return to the household considered likely? Y/N

What is their relationship to the child (specify even if only "neighbour", "stranger" etc) Mother, Adult living in home.

Other Children in Child's Usual Household Relationship to Registered Child

SiblingSibling

Date of Latest

Conference/Review: 03/11/94 Date of Next Review: 26/04/95

Physical Abuse

Physical Neglect

Nature of Abuse/Neglect: Very suspicious Level(s) of Certainty: At Risk

Key Protection Issues:

1 Child and siblings physically abused by adult living in family home.Child's mother was unable to protect children from this abuse.2 Standards of hygiene and general routines in the home have slipped asmother's general emotional health was deteriorating. Mr Thomas Leonard,child's step grandfather, has been released from prison, and wishescontact with the children. Mr Leonard is a convicted Schedule 1 Offender.

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 - * initiating Case Conference/network meetings
 - * network meeting
 - * review Case Conference
 - * network meeting
 - * review Case Conference etc
- No more than three months should elapse between review of the Plan at network meetings or review Case Conferences - certain children's circumstances requiring more frequent, interagency scrutiny. Further serious concerns may necessitate the convening of a Case Conference.
- 6 Copies of the Child Protection Plan must be provided to all agencies/ individuals involved in the Plan.
 - 7 Regular monitoring of the Social Work Department's role in the Protection process will be conducted through supervision sessions between key worker and Senior Social Worker. Records of decisions reached during this monitoring process should be recorded formally within a "supervision record" maintained on the registered child's file - a copy to be retained by the Senior Social Worker.

AGREED TASKS

Agency	Task	Timescale/Frequency of Contact	Worker/ Substitute
S. W. D.	Key Worker - visit to children in placement to keep in touch with their progress. Seeking and receiving information from other key agencies. Direct work with children.	Weekly	Elizabeth Ross S. W.
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S. W. D.	Assessment work with family.	Weekly	Isabel Naylor SWA
Education Department	Oversee children's educational progress, and note any support significant issues to Key Worker.	Daily	Margaret Pollock H. T. Tannadice P. S.
Foster Carer	Full care of children. Feedback	Full time care.	Ann McConachie
Foster Carer (respite)	Respite care for children.	As arranged.	Dorothy Archer
Parent	Cooperation with rehabilitation work. Arrangement of transport to and from access.	As per working agreement	Susan Leonard

Date of next Network Meeting: April 1995

Venue: Kingsmuir Resource Centre

Key Worker: Elizabeth Ross

Senior Social Worker: Mike Briggs

Office Location and Tel No: Arbroath Social Work Department

Parent(s)/Carer(s): Susan Leonard

CHILD PROTECTION PLANNING MEETING

HELD AT KINGSMUIR RESOURCE CENTRE

ON 06/03/95

[REDACTED]
STACEY LEONARD 28/04/88
[REDACTED]

PRESENT:-

Mike Briggs -	Senior Social Worker, Arbroath S.W.D. (Minute Taker)
Isabel Naylor -	Social Work Assistant, Arbroath S.W.D.
Barbara Cowan -	Social Worker, Arbroath S.W.D.
Margaret Pollock -	Head Teacher, Tannadice Primary School
Ann McConnachie -	Foster Carer
Susan Leonard -	Parent

UPDATE

Barbara Cowan, Social Worker

Work continues with Susan Leonard and the children, in terms of;

- 1) Assessment of Susan's parenting skills happening on Monday afternoon.
- 2) Access on Thursday afternoon.
- 3) Individual work with the children.

Mrs Pollock, Head Teacher, Tannadice School

The children have been accepted as part of the school with no significant problems.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Stacey has shown no problems, she enjoys her work and is reaching her academic milestones.

In sum, there are no particular behaviour problems with any of the children, who are generally well behaved, [REDACTED]

Ann McConnachie, Foster Carer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Stacey still has problems with lying, she is withdrawn, and doesn't play regularly with others. Her Carer's are confused by this change in behaviour, she still looks for attention, but on her terms.

There are no obvious behaviour patterns either before or after access. The children appear to look forward to their access and do not suffer adversely as a result.

Isabel Naylor, Social Work Assistant

Isabel is currently organising respite for the Leonard children, with Dorothy Archer, between 06 - 15 April 1995.

Susan Leonard - Parent

Susan feels that Stacey has not been herself lately, she doesn't want to do what the other children are doing. She has a problem in keeping Stacey to task.

[REDACTED]

There is a Children's Hearing date set for the 03 April 1995.

CHILD PROTECTION PLAN

Social Worker	Key Worker - Gather and note information from other agencies. Visit to the children in placement to keep in touch with their progress. Direct work with children. Weekly visiting to children.	Elizabeth Ross
Social Worker	Direct work with children. Weekly.	Barbara Cowan
S.W. Assistant	Assessment work with family.	Isabel Naylor
Education Department	Oversee children's educational progress and note any significant issues to Key Worker.	Margaret Pollock Head Teacher
Foster Carer	Full time care of the children. Feedback to Key Worker of the children's progress.	Ann McConnachie
Foster Carer (respite)	Respite care for children.	Dorothy Archer
Parent	Cooperation with rehabilitation work. Arrangement of transport to and from access.	Susan Leonard

This Child Protection Plan will be reviewed in April 1995.

**MIKE BRIGGS
SENIOR SOCIAL WORKER**

**MB/KGP-95
16 March 1995**

CHILD PROTECTION PLAN

Date of Latest Network Meeting (where applicable) 10.11.94Name of Child: Stacey Leonard Date of Birth 28.04.88Address: 9 Lamley Terrace, Arbroath

Names(s) and Address of Parents/Carers (where not parents, specify relationship to child):

Susan Leonard, 9 Lamley Terrace, Arbroath

Name(s) and Address of Alternative Carers, where appropriate:

Statutory Status of Registered Child: S12

Is the suspected perpetrator in the child's usual household? Y/N

If not, is a return to the household considered likely? Y/N

What is their relationship to the child (specify even if only "neighbour". "stranger" etc) Adult living in family home.

Other Children in Child's Usual Household Relationship to Registered Child

[REDACTED]Sibling[REDACTED]Sibling

Date of Latest

Conference/Review: 03.11.94

Date of Next Review: _____

Physical Abuse

Proven & Certain

Nature of Abuse/Neglect: Physical Neglect Level(s) of Certainty: At Risk

Key Protection Issues:

- 1 Child and siblings physically abused by adult living in family home.
- 2 Mother unable to keep children safe.
- 3 Standards of hygiene and general routines in home have slipped as mother's general emotional health was deteriorating.

AGREED TASKS

Agency	Task	Timescale/Frequency of Contact	Worker/ Substitute
S. W.	Monitor family situation Key Worker - liaison with other agencies	Weekly	Elizabeth Ross
S. W. A.	Help with practical issues with family - routines, budgeting	Weekly	Isabel Naylor
Educ. Dept	Monitor Childs progress in school setting	Day	Arthur Pritchard
S. W.		Weekly	Barbara Cowan
Angus NHS Trust	Monitor of child's development through school medical system	School medical schedule	Ann McLean
Foster Carer	Offer of respite care	As respite agreement	Jack & Sue Harrison

Date of next Network Meeting: February 1995

Venue: Arbroath Social Work Department, Academy Lane

Key Worker: Elizabeth Ross

Senior Social Worker: Mike Briggs

Office Location and Tel No: Academy Lane, Arbroath Tel No. 878585

Parent(s)/Carer(s): Susan Leonard

CHILD PROTECTION PLANNING MEETING

Held at Catherine Street Resource Centre, Arbroath

on 10/11/94

on

[REDACTED] STACEY [REDACTED] LEONARD

Present : Mike Briggs, Senior Social Worker
Susan Leonard, Mother
Carol Leonard, Children's Aunt
Barbara Cowan, Social Worker
Elizabeth Ross, Social Worker
Jack Harrison, Foster Carer

This meeting was to finalise the Child Protection Plan following the Case Conference of 03/11/94 and was held immediately after the Discharge from Care Meeting.

Child Protection Plan

Elizabeth Ross, Social Worker - Elizabeth would keep weekly contact with the family in order to monitor the children's situation.

Also to liaise with other key agencies.

Barbara Cowan, Social Worker - [REDACTED]

Isabel Naylor, Social Work Assistant - Isabel will visit the family weekly to help with family based issues such as budgeting, routines, general parenting.

Arthur Pritchard, Education Department - School will monitor the children's welfare whilst at Hayshead.

Ann McLean, School Nurse - Ann will monitor the children's physical developments through the school medical system.

Jack Harrison, Foster Carer - There will hopefully be an offer of respite care from the Harrisons. This will need to be agreed at a later date.

This Child Protection Plan should be reviewed during February, 1995.

Mike Briggs
Senior Social Worker

MB/RW
01/02/95

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Discharge from Care Meeting

held at CATHERINE STREET RESOURCE CENTRE, ARBROATH on 10.11.94

on

[REDACTED]
STACEY LEONARD (6)
[REDACTED]

Present at Meeting:

Ms Susan Leonard	Mother
Carol Leonard	Auntie
Mr Harrison	Foster Carer
Barbara Cowan	Social Worker
Elizabeth Ross	Social Worker
Mike Briggs	Senior Social Worker
Peter Pope	Community Assessment and Review Officer, Chair and Notetaker

Apologies:

Ros Stuart	Family Placement Team Worker
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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this meeting was to ensure that the supports for Ms Leonard were in place to assist her care for her children. It was hoped that this would prevent the need for the children to be received into care again.

PRESENT SITUATION

Ms Leonard was discharged from Sunnyside Hospital a few days ago. She said she was feeling better and felt she was managing quite well.

The children were returned to her after her discharge, she said basically it was going satisfactorily at home. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She said there had been one difficult episode but she had managed this.

Mr Harrison said that while the children had been in their care he had noticed that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The children had been happy staying at the Harrisons', the Harrisons too had enjoyed having the children. The children have spoken about going back there to let [REDACTED] play with their computer.

[REDACTED]

Carol Leonard said that she felt Susan was managing better since her return home. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Following a recent Child Protection Case Conference the children's names were placed on the Child Protection Register because they had been assaulted by an adult male [REDACTED]. As a consequence of this, Elizabeth Ross is now the case accountable Social Worker, however, she and Barbara will work in together to support Ms Leonard care for her children.

WAYS FORWARD

- 1 Mike to draw up a child protection plan to which Ms Leonard can contribute to ensure the safety of her children. This plan will include matters such as:
 - a) [REDACTED]
 - b) domestic routines around the home - Isabel Naylor and Ms Leonard to work on this;
 - c) aspects of child safety and parental responsibilities around this - Elizabeth and Barbara to work with Ms Leonard on this;
 - d) respite care for the children. Ms Leonard to consider whether or not she would wish occasional weekend breaks for herself and the children, with the children being cared for by respite carers. Ms Leonard said she thought she would like this, she to discuss it further with Barbara/Elizabeth. Mr Harrison indicated that from his and his wife's side they would be agreeable to this, they would discuss it further with their Link Worker;
 - e) Carol Leonard and Susan Leonard to support each other as they see fit.

From this written working agreement the work will progress, and be reviewed by Mike and Ms Leonard in due course.

[REDACTED]

Peter Pope
Community Assessment and Review Officer
16 November 1994

Copies to: All Present, Ros Stuart, Dougie Dunlop, Alan Baird

REPORT OF A CHILD PROTECTION INVESTIGATIONCP1
APPENDIX B1**1 SUBJECT CHILD**

Unique No:	92009044	Date of Referral:	18/11/94
Surname:	LEONARD	Alias:	
Forename(s):	Stacey	Alias:	
Sex (M/F):	Female	DOB:	28/04/88
Home Address (before removal to Care, Hospital or Place of Safety): 9 Lamley Terrace Arbroath			
Current Address (if different from above): c/o Harrison Fern Lodge Fern			

2 REFERRAL

Name of Referrer:	PC Dewar	Agency/Status:	Police Constable
Address: c/o Tayside Police Arbroath			
Details of Referral: Children left with carer by mother. Carer unable to look after children.			
Specific Requests of Referrer: To visit and assess situation.			

3 ACTION CHECKLIST

	Date		Date
CIS Check:	18/11/94	Police:	
Health Check:		School/Nursery/Pre-school:	
Enter Referral on CIS:		Consultation SSW/Manager:	

4 INVESTIGATING PERSONNEL

Date Report submitted for typing : 21 November 1994

	Name:	Office:	Signature:	Date
Lead Worker:	Sharon Laing	OOHS		20/11/94
2nd worker (if involved):	Stuart Watson	OOHS		20/11/94
SSW/Co-ordinator:	Margaret Reid	OOHS		20/11/94
Manager:				

5 CHILD'S LIVING GROUP

MOTHER OR SUBSTITUTE		FATHER OR SUBSTITUTE	
Surname:	LEONARD	Surname:	LEONARD
Alias:	[REDACTED]	Alias:	
Maiden Name:	[REDACTED]		
Forename(s):	Susan [REDACTED]	Forename(s):	Thomas
DOB (d/m/y):	[REDACTED]	DOB (d/m/y):	49 years approximately
Relationship to Child:		Relationship to Child:	
Birth Parent:	☒	Birth Parent:	☐
Adoptive Parent:	☐	Adoptive Parent:	☐
Step-Parent:	☐	Step-Parent:	☐
Relative:	☐	Relative:	☒
Co-hab:	☐	Co-hab:	☐
Other:	☐	Other:	☐
Foster Parent:	☐	Foster Parent:	☐
If Relative or Other, please specify:		If Relative or Other, please specify:	
		Mother's stepfather	

6 OTHER CHILDREN (if non-resident, deceased or non-sibling, state relationship to subject child)

Name	Sex	DOB	Relationship	Location
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Brother	As Above
Stacey Leonard	F	28/04/88	Sister	As Above
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Sister	As Above
			Half Brother	With Natural Father

OTHER SIGNIFICANT ADULTS (including birth parents if not mentioned in 5)

Name	DOB	Address	Relationships to Child

8 AGENCY LINKS

	Child's GP	Health Visitor	School/Nursery/Pre-School Play Group
Name:	Dr Gray		
Address:	Abbey H C Arbroath		
Tel No:	870311		

9 CHILD PROTECTION RECORD CHECK

Is/was child's name on Register?	YES
If YES, which names?	██████████ Stacey, ██████████
Date of de-registration, if appropriate (d/m/y):	
Details of Social Work Department record check:	CIS Child Protection Register OOHS Index Cards

10 POLICE INVOLVEMENT IN REFERRAL

(i) Police Officer contacted or referring (delete if inapplicable)

Name: PC Dewar	Rank Constable	No: ██████████	Division: Central
Office: Arbroath		Tel No: 872222	<u>Eastern</u>
Time of Contact: 2127 hrs		Date of Contact: 18/11/94	Western

(ii) Did the Police indicate that they would investigate? (Y/N) YES

Investigating Officer: Dewar	Investigating Officer: Dunn
Rank: PC	Rank: WPC
No: ██████████	No:
Station: Arbroath	Station: Arbroath
Station:	Station:
Commencement date of Police investigation: 18/11/94	

(iii) Information provided and action taken by Police to date:

Proceeding - referred to CAFSES

(iv) Known Offenders (adults convicted of offences involving children):

Name: Thomas Leonard	Current Address: c/o HMP Perth
Previous Offence(s):	Date: Court:
Schedule I Offences	
Name:	Current Address:
Present Offence(s):	Date: Court:

v) **Proposed future action by Police:**

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11 MEDICAL INVESTIGATION (Y/N) [FIRST STAGE]

(i) **Dr (Name):**

Address:

Tel No:

Date:

Location of medical

(ii) **Comment by medical practitioner on nature and extent of injuries:**

(iii) **Outcome of medical investigation (tick appropriate box)**

Strong medical evidence of abuse:

Diagnosis uncertain:

No indication of abuse:

Proceed to Specialist Assessment (Y/N)

12 SPECIALIST ASSESSMENT

Dr (Name):

Status

Address:

Place of Examination:

Date:

Dr (Name):

Status

Address:

Place of Examination:

Date:

Were x-rays taken? (Y/N)

Were photographs taken? (Y/N)

Any other medical tests? (please specify)

Outcome of medical investigation regarding evidence of abuse
(tick appropriate box):

Remarks:

Definite:

☐

Probable:

☐

Uncertain:

☐

No Indication:

☐

13 RECORD OF INVESTIGATION

(i) Summary of actions taken (times/dates):

19/11/94 - 1254 hrs

Phone call from Carol Leonard, [REDACTED] She said that Susan had gone to Fife with her boyfriend, leaving the children in care of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has apparently had notice from the Housing Department to clean her home up (checked CIS - this would appear to be the case). Carol said that she would be willing to look after the children, but Susan wouldn't be in agreement. Susan has apparently gone to Fife to visit her mother and won't be back until Tuesday. I agreed with Carol that I would check records and visit to assess situation if necessary.

1712 hrs

Phone call from PC Dewar - Arbroath Police. Carol Leonard had also reported Susan to them for having left the children with [REDACTED] they have visited [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] and report the house as being in an appalling state. In addition, [REDACTED] claims to have had the children dumped on her this morning, and is not prepared to care for them beyond 8.30pm, as she is due to babysit for someone else then. Checked CIS. [REDACTED]

Carol is not willing to look after Susan's children. Stewart Watson OOHS to attend at [REDACTED] Police informed of above.

1830 hrs

Visited [REDACTED] She advised me that on Wednesday 16/11/94 Susan had asked her if she could look after the children at the weekend. [REDACTED] told her that she was unlikely to be able to oblige as she would probably be babysitting tonight and last night. [REDACTED] last saw Susan yesterday but nothing further was said about the children. However, this morning at 1000 Susan came in with the 3 children and asked [REDACTED] 16 year old daughter, [REDACTED] to look after them till tonight. [REDACTED] was out at the time. Susan gave [REDACTED] £5 for herself and £3.50 to buy some food for the children. She also gave [REDACTED] the key to her house in case the children needed other clothes. [REDACTED] did not know of Susan's whereabouts other than she was somewhere in Fife visiting her mother (Elizabeth ?). [REDACTED] had since learned from several neighbours that Susan had no intention of returning till Tuesday next week and the children later confirmed this when I spoke to them. Susan had told them that she was going away on holiday till Tuesday or Wednesday and would be staying with her mother in Fife.

██████████ confirmed that she was unable to care for the children any longer and knew of no-one else who could assist. None of the other neighbours apparently knew of Susan's whereabouts in Fife.

I discussed the situation with the 3 children and all were quite happy to leave with me with a view to being accommodated elsewhere. None of them appeared to be the least perturbed about their mother's absence. Arrangements were made for the children to be placed with Mr & Mrs Harrison, Fern Lodge ██████████ ██████████
██

Some clothes were obtained from Susan's but they were of little use. Mrs Harrison was advised to buy what she needed in necessities for the children. I left my name and telephone number with ██████████ to pass on to Susan when she returned. The children were placed with the Harrisons on a Section 15 basis as it was felt there were insufficient grounds to consider a Place of Safety.

1440 hrs

I contacted Mr Harrison, foster carer who told me that they had heard nothing from mother or anyone else. Mr Harrison did inform me that they were going on holiday on Tuesday morning, so the children could not remain past this time. Mr Harrison deeply regretted this as the children were settled, but was not in a position to change his plans.

1500 hrs

I contacted Sgt McCluskey who agreed for me to come through approximately 1900 hrs to liaise with PCs Dunn and Dewar and to establish if Susan had been in touch. Sgt McCluskey was under the opinion that it was today mum had said she would be back.

2000 hrs

I went through to Arbroath and met up with WPC Dunn who came up to see ██████████
██████████ She had not had any communication whatsoever from Susan Leonard, and could not give us any information, as to where Susan was. She did know that she went off with a new boyfriend, ██████████ to Fife probably to see her own mother. Following discussion with Police Sgt McCluskey and WPC Dunn, I decided that mum had technically abandoned her children and shown a lack of parental care.

On this basis I proceeded formally to take Place of Safety Orders on all 3 children. JP Brian Milne after listening to all of the circumstances signed the warrants.

2130 hrs

I phoned Mr Harrison who agreed to collect copies of the Place of Safety from Forfar Police Station in the morning. All of the children were settled, but he wanted someone to organise a medical as soon as possible in the morning. ██████████ had bruising on his arms, same as before, and he told the Harrisons that he had fallen. Mr Harrison was going to send the older children to school in the morning, and would await further contact. He emphasised the fact that they were going on holiday on Tuesday. Original copies of Place of Safety left with Police to be delivered first thing in the morning to the Reporter. Police will be referring to CAFSES for possible Section 12 offence.

Sharon Laing

21/11/94

JH

(ii) Family history and current situation:

Susan Leonard appears to be becoming more estranged from her family. [REDACTED]

(iii) Assessment of Risk to subject child; other children in the household; and proposed responses/support:

14 PROTECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

- | | |
|--|-----------|
| (i) Recommend convening Case Conference? | (Y/N) YES |
| (ii) Referral to Reporter? | (Y/N) |
| (iii) Action proposed to advise referrer of outcome: | |
| (iv) Other | |

15 CONFERENCE INVITEES / MANAGERS COMMENTS IF NO CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION

Reception into Care

held at ACADEMY LANE, ARBROATH on 23.11.94

on

STACEY LEONARD (6)

Placement Date: 20 November 1994

Legal Statute: Place of Safety Warrant

Present at Meeting:

Ms Susan Leonard	Mother
Elizabeth Ross	Social Worker
Mike Briggs	Senior Social Worker
Doreen Wood	Health Visitor
Anne McLean	School Nurse
Mrs McConnachie	Foster Carer
Peter Pope	Community Assessment and Review Officer, Chair and Notetaker

Apologies:

Mary Reid	Out of Hours Service, Social Work Department
Paula Mulford	Family Placement Team Worker
Teacher	Hayshead Primary School

Background and Reasons for Reception into Care

Susan had made arrangements for a friend to look after her children for the weekend. This was to allow her to go to Fife to find alternative accommodation for herself and her family. She had left a contact address with her sister, Carol; Carol had contacted the police and subsequently the Out of Hours Service to say that the friend was no longer willing to have the care of the three children.

Prior to the weekend it had been made clear to Susan that it was her responsibility to ensure the well-being of her children, and to make arrangements accordingly.

Background and Reasons contd

When Out of Hours called, the sixteen year old who had been left in charge of the children said she was no longer willing to continue to have their care, people did not pass on the contact number for Ms Leonard, and as a result a Place of Safety Order was taken on the children. They were placed with Mr and Mrs McConnachie in Glen Clova.

Legal Situation

A Place of Safety Order has been taken, there is to be a Children's Hearing later today.

Ms Leonard said she now had nowhere official to stay in Arbroath, she was still hoping to get accommodation in Fife.

The Chair understood that as far as the Social Work Department was concerned, provided Ms Leonard had suitable accommodation, there was no impediment to the return of the children to her care. Clearly the Children's Panel may make an order which will alter this.

Appropriateness of Placement

Mrs McConnachie said that the children had settled in satisfactorily with her and her family. They are again attending Tannadice school.

The children had met Mrs McConnachie previously when the children had been in care with the Harrisons. They had also attended Tannadice school during that time. It was felt that this previous experience may have eased the difficulties for the children on this present reception into care.

Was extended family/friends fully explored for placement purposes?

It is understood that there was no suitable family/friends available to take care of the children.

Medical Issues

The children have to receive their medicals later today.

Practical Arrangements

Mrs McConnachie said that, regarding toys and clothes this was being sorted out, she had had financial help as was appropriate.

What has to change for the children to move out of care?

As was already noted, Ms Leonard no longer has suitable accommodation. It is her intention to move to Fife where she feels she has extended family support. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was said that the top priority must be for Ms Leonard to get appropriate accommodation for herself and her children. It was agreed that the Social Work Department would assist her negotiate with the appropriate housing authorities in Fife to try to obtain this.

It was not felt that Ms Leonard's mother, who is in a one-bedroomed accommodation, is a viable option for herself and her three children.

Access

It was agreed that access should be by arrangement through the Social Work Department. At the moment, given the legal situation, it is understood this should be supervised, from the children's needs point of view it should be as often as is practicably possible given the distances involved. The Chair hoped it could be at least twice per week.

Care Plan

For the children to be returned to the care of their mother. This is dependent on Ms Leonard getting suitable accommodation for herself and the children.

Recommendations in Support of Care Plan

- 1 Susan Leonard, in conjunction with Social Work staff (Mike Briggs and Elizabeth Ross) to pursue with all haste, suitable alternative accommodation.
- 2 The children to be cared for by Mr and Mrs McConnachie.
- 3 Access - a written agreement to be given to Mrs Leonard concerning this, outlining frequency and assistance with transport, etc. This to be done over the next week.

Date and Place of Next Review

Monday 19 December 1994 at 10.30 am, at Academy Lane, Arbroath.

This date of review can be brought forward should an earlier discharge from care appear imminent, ie once Ms Leonard has suitable accommodation. Elizabeth to contact Peter Pope.



Peter Pope
Community Assessment and Review Officer
25 November 1994

Copies to:

All Present

Extra copy to Elizabeth to be handed over to Ms Leonard given that she does not have an address to which to send it

Mary Reid

Paula Mulford

Hayshead Primary School

Dougie Dunlop, Childcare Manager

Alan Baird, Group Manager

Report No.: 290/94

Social Worker
Preparing Report Mike Briggs

**Social Work
Department**

**SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT
CHILDREN'S HEARING**

Academy Lane
Arbroath
DD11 1EJ

Tel 0241 878585
Help 0241 870533
2. 28.04.88 0241 870372

The following Child:-

Surname: LEONARD

Date of Birth: 3. [REDACTED]

1. [REDACTED]

Christian Names 2. Stacey

or Forenames: 3. [REDACTED]

Religion: [REDACTED]

School: [REDACTED]

Address 1. c/o Mr and Mrs McConnachie

Occupation [REDACTED]

Braeminzion, Glen Clova

Kirriemuir

2. " " "

3. " " "

is to appear on 23 November, 1994 at Arbroath Children's Hearing

In Connection with FIRST LAWFUL DAY HEARING

Other Family Members

Susan Leonard Mother c/o 71 Denvale Gardens, Kennoway

The Leonard family have been known to the Social Work Department for a number of years, latterly due to events leading to the prosecution and subsequent imprisonment of the children's step grandfather, Mr Thomas Leonard, [REDACTED]

At this time, Susan and her 3 children were living c/o 9 Lamley Terrace, Mr Thomas Leonard's tenancy. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Susan [REDACTED]
remaining siblings [REDACTED] who had not disclosed sexual abuse at the hands of Thomas Leonard. [REDACTED]
other issues of concern were emerging in respect of the family. These were around the material standards in the house, the sundry and numerous male adults who frequented the house, the parenting of the children and the general level of Susan Leonard's emotional health.

Pressure was building on the family and Susan, who adopted the main child care role for all the children [REDACTED] was clearly not coping. A respite arrangement was set up for Susan's 3 children following her admission to Sunnyside [REDACTED]

Immediately prior to the reception into care, Carol came forward and made allegations that the children were being physically abused by a male adult who was currently (amongst others) living with the families at Lamley Terrace, a James Anthony Hislop known as "gino ginelli".

The Police became involved, and statements were taken from the children. As a result, Hislop was charged with numerous allegations of assault against the children, [REDACTED]. These assaults are detailed in Appendix B submitted to Reporter, and comprised of punishments for the children by way of martial arts practices and weapons.

The children remained in care for some 3 weeks during Susan Leonard's admission to Sunnyside Hospital. She was discharged on 28.10.94 and the children returned to her care on the 7.11.94. Prior to discharge, a Child Protection Case Conference was held, and the names of all 3 children placed on the CPR. A package was set up to begin work with the family.

An unforeseen turn of events followed, with Susan Leonard's disclosure, including a statement to the Police, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

step-father, who continued to exert his considerable influence on the family from prison and instructed Carol to put Susan out of his home.

During the following weekend, circumstances unfolded as outlined in the Emergency Duty Team report and the children were admitted to care on a Place of Safety Order.

They are currently in the care of Mr and Mrs McConnachie, Braeminzion, Glen Clove, Kirriemuir.

Susan Leonard was contacted in Fife, at her mother's home and returned to Arbroath. She currently does not wish to take up access with the children and is homeless.

It is the Social Work Department's recommendation to the Hearing that, given the considerable uncertainty of Susan Leonard's current situation, and her reluctance to see the children that the present Warrant be upturned for a further 21 days in order to allow the care to proceed to Proof Hearing, and also to allow some clarity in terms of Ms Leonard's short-term intentions.

[REDACTED]

Mike Briggs
Senior Social Worker

23 November 1994

FORM1A

RE ABOUT CHILD REFERRED TO THE REPORTER TO THE CHILDREN'S PANEL

Dated 25 November 1994

Children's Panel for Tayside

Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968

Warrant for detention under section 37 (4) of the act

Place

(a) Keith House

50 East Abbey Street

ARBROATH

DD11 1EW

(b) ~~Glebe House~~

~~Brechin Road~~

~~KIRRIEMUIR~~

(c)

Date 23rd November 1994

A children's hearing for TAYSIDE, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 37 (4) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968, (being satisfied that the further detention of¹

STACEY LEONARD (DOB 28.4.88), formerly 4
9, Lamley Terrace, Arbroath

is necessary in his/her * own interest) * ~~(having reason to believe that he/she * will run away during the investigation of his/her * case)~~ * grant warrant for the detention of the said² STACEY LEONARD

in a place of safety (chosen by the Local Authority for Tayside Region) *

for the period from³ 23rd November 1994 to 13th December 1994
both days inclusive.

Chairman of the Children's Hearing

* Delete as appropriate

¹ Name and address

² Child's name

³ Insert period not exceeding 21 days

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

Form of statement by reporter of grounds for the referral of a case to a children's hearing (Conditions in Section 32(2)(a) to (gg) or (i) of the Act)

Stacey Leonard - dob 28.4.88

9 Lamley Terrace

ARBROATH - presently care of Social Work Department, Academy Lane, Arbroath

is being referred to a Children's Hearing for Tayside on the grounds of the following conditions:-

- c) lack of parental care is likely to cause her unnecessary suffering or seriously to impair her health or development and/or
- d) that any of the offences mentioned in Schedule I to the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975 has been committed in respect of her or a child who is a member of the same household: Namely under paragraph (c) of the Schedule which refers to any offence under Section 12 of the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 1937 and states - "if any person who has attained the age of 16 years and has the custody, charge, or care of any child or young person under that age, wilfully assaults, ill-treats, neglects abandons, or exposes the child or causes or procures her to be assaulted, ill-treated, neglected, abandoned or exposed in a manner likely to cause the child unnecessary suffering or injury to health, that person shall be guilty of an offence. and/or
- d) Any of the offences mentioned in Schedule I as aforementioned has been committed in respect of her or a child who is a member of the same household, namely under Paragraph (d), any other offence involving bodily injury to a child under the age of 17 years, namely assault.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

In support of condition (c) and/or (d) it is stated that:

1/

[REDACTED]

Date ..23 November 1994....

J McFarridge, Area Reporter

Tayside Regional Council

Reporter's Department

Keith House, 50 East Abbey Street, ARBROATH. DD11 1EW

Notes

At the children's hearing the child or his parents may or may not accept the grounds for bringing the child before the hearing. If the grounds are accepted by the child, and his parents (if present) the children's hearing will discuss and consider with the child and his parents what is best for the child. If any of the grounds are not accepted, the hearing may either discharge the referral or direct the reporter to apply to the Sheriff for a decision as to whether or not any of the grounds exist. If this happens, the child will have to appear before the sheriff at a later date. If the Sheriff decides that any of the grounds do exist, the children's hearing will then discuss and consider what is best for the child, as if these grounds had been accepted. If the Sheriff decides no grounds exist, the referral will be discharged.

Name: Stacey Leonard

STATEMENT OF FACTS (continued)

1 Stacey Leonard, the child, was born on 28 April 1988 and is the daughter of Ms Susan Leonard [REDACTED] and until recently resided in family at 9 Lamley Terrace, Arbroath with her brother [REDACTED] and sister [REDACTED].

2 i) In about May 1994 Mr James Anthony Hislop (date of birth 5.3.76) became a member of the household as a lodger. Between then and about 11 October 1994, Mr Hislop regularly assaulted the child by slapping, punching or kicking her causing pain and suffering. On occasions the child's face or body was bruised or exhibited red marks.

ii) On numerous occasions during the period in question Mr Hislop awoke the child in her bed to check if "they had been good". At this point the child was slapped across the face and bottom causing her to scream and cry with pain.

3 On Tuesday 11 October 1994 [REDACTED] following advice and assistance she was admitted to Sunnyside Hospital on 12 October 1994 with arrangements made for the children to be cared for by foster parents. On or about 28 October 1994 the child was re-united with her mother following her leaving hospital.

4 On Saturday 19 November 1994 the mother left the child in a neighbours' house. She believed that the neighbour was willing to look after the child for the weekend.

5 On the evening of 19 November, the neighbour informed the Social Work Out of Hours Service that she was not prepared to care for the child any longer. Police and Social Work authorities took over the care of the child and made the necessary arrangements for foster care.

[REDACTED] Date...23 November 1994.
AS/AH

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Name: Stacey Leonard

STATEMENT OF FACTS (continued)

6 Tayside Region Social Work Department made telephone contact with Ms Leonard on Monday 21 November 1994 in Fife with regard to the above matters and met to discuss them with her on Tuesday 22 November 1994.

23.11.94

Accepted by mother
Child too young to understand
Application 42(7)

[REDACTED]
J McEatrige, Area Reporter
Tayside Regional Council
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Date. 23 November 1994...
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Report No.: 311/94

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**SOCIAL BACKGROUND REPORT
CHILDREN'S HEARING**

The following Child: -

Surname: LEONARD

Date of Birth: 20.05.86

Christian Names [REDACTED]
or Forenames: Stacey

28.04.88
01.12.89

Religion: _____

School: Tannadice School, by Forfar

Address c/o Mr. and Mrs. McConachie

Occupation _____

Braeminzion, Glen Clova

By Kirriemuir

is to appear on 12.12.94 at _____ Children's Hearing

In Connection with 32(2)(c)

Ms. Leonard's Present Circumstances

Ms. Leonard's recent network of support broke down [REDACTED]

Ms. Leonard decided to move out of Arbroath and seek accommodation in Fife, where she has family support. Ms. Leonard is seeking a place in the Homeless Unit in Fife, until permanent accommodation becomes available. Her application is being considered by Fife Housing Department however, Ms. Leonard will not be considered for housing under the National Mobility Scheme due to her outstanding rent arrears. Since her disclosure Ms. Leonard has re-established her relationship with [REDACTED] and it is their intention to set up home together with the children.

Ms. Leonard's Attitude Toward Her Step-Father

Up until recently Ms. Leonard was fiercely supportive of her step-father and was of the opinion that he did not pose a risk to her children. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] she has stated that she does not intend on having further contact with him. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and we are unclear at this time what form their relationship will take when he is released from prison.

Ms. Leonard's Contact With The Children

Following the children's reception into care Ms. Leonard was reluctant to have contact with them, however over the last two weeks she has had twice weekly access with them. It is evident that the children have enjoyed their mother's visits and are keen to return to her care. Ms. Leonard has stated that she wants to resume the care of her children as soon as suitable accommodation can be found.

Prior to the children being received into care Ms. Leonard was finding it increasingly difficult to manage both the care of the children and household tasks. She was able to identify several areas in which she requires assistance, eg. managing the children's behaviour and providing routines for them, budgeting, household routines, etc. An assessment of her parenting abilities and a package of support will need to be in place before consideration can be given to Ms. Leonard resuming the full-time care of her children.

Conclusion

Ms. Leonard presents as a vulnerable young woman who has been influenced by very dominant males in her life. This has led to her being unable to protect both herself and her children from abusive situations. There continues to be many uncertainties regarding Ms. Leonard's intentions. Ms. Leonard is keen to resume the full-time care of the children as soon as suitable accommodation becomes available however the Social Work Department are of the opinion that a full assessment of her ability to care for and protect the children is necessary before consideration can be given to returning the children to her care. I am therefore of the opinion that the children are in need of compulsory measures of care and I would recommend that the Hearing give consideration to making the children the subject of a named place supervision order.

Should Ms. Leonard's circumstances stabilise to such a degree that she is able to provide adequate care and protection for the children, then we shall seek and early review.

[REDACTED]
Elizabeth Ross
Social Worker

ER/RW
12th December 1994

REPORTER TO THE CHILDREN'S PANEL FOR TAYSIDE

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT, 1968

Notice about Child referred to the Reporter to the Children's Panel

Surname LEONARD Christian Names STACEY

Date of Birth 28.4.88 Age 6 School HADHEAD PRIMARY

Home Address 9 LAMLEY TERRACE, ARBROATH

Present Address

Social Work Area ARBROATH Social Worker ELIZABETH ROSS

Reporter's Reference No A194 Referral No 1+2

PLEASE QUOTE IN ALL COMMUNICATIONS

SWSGS NO 940990910 Dated 16/11/94 + 21.11.94

Reason for Referral 32(2)(d) REFERRAL (REF NO 1), 37(2)-PLACE OF SAFETY,
32(2)(c) + 1/cv (d) REFERRAL (REF NO 2)

☐ Thank you for your report/referral Dated

INFORMATION REQUESTED :

- ☐ Please give me more information as specified in the attached note.
- ☐ I would be grateful for a report to assist me and any Hearing which may be convened for this child.
- ☐ Please submit the report by:
- ☐ Note:

HEARING

- ☐ I will arrange a Hearing upon receipt of a social background report.
- ☐ I have arranged a Hearing on at am/pm.
- ☐ You are expected/invited to attend the Hearing.
- ☐ A representative who knows the child and can take part in the discussion at the Hearing is expected/invited to attend.
- ☐ Note:

RESULT

- ☐ I am taking no further action/and have asked the Police to warn the child.
- ☐ I am referring the case to the Social Work Department to offer advice, guidance and assistance on a voluntary basis.

THE HEARING DECIDED

- ☐ To Discharge the referral under Section 42(2) (c) or 43(2). . . . on
- ☐ To apply to the Sheriff for proof of the Grounds Section on
- ☐ To continue the case as arranged above, From
- ☒ To issue a Supervision Requirement under Section 44(1)(a) PLACE on 12.12.94
- ☐ To continue the existing Supervision Requirement under Section on
- ☐ To vary the Supervision Requirement from Section to Section on
- ☐ To terminate the Supervision Requirement on
- ☒ As a result of the Requirement/decision, the child will be living at WITH MR + MRS MCCONNACHIE
OF BRAEMINZION GLENELAND, ST BIRRIEWIR
- ☐ Note:
- ☐ Enclosures

Signed

Dated

13 December 1994

ADDRESS OF REPORTER Kelth House,
68 East Abbey Street,
Arbroath DD11 1EW

SOCIAL WORK (SCOTLAND) ACT 1968

SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT SECTION 44(1)(a) 1968 ACT

12 Dec 1991

Children's Hearing Centre
Keith House
50 East Abbey Street
ARBROATH
DD11 1EW

A Children's Hearing for Tayside, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 44(1)(a) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968, being satisfied that

STACEY NEWARD (DOB 28.9.88)
formerly 79, Laundry Terrace, District

is in need of compulsory measures of care require him/her to be under the supervision of the Director of Social Work for Tayside, subject to the conditions noted below.

..... (Chairman)

CONDITIONS REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING SUPERVISION REQUIREMENT

1. The child shall comply with directions given by the supervising social worker.
2. The child shall reside in a named place, namely, with Mrs. McConachie
A. Baerlingon, Glen Clova, by Simonist
3. The requirement to reside is subject to the discretion of the Director of Social Work to grant leave of absence from time to time to enable the child to engage in approved activities.
4. Subject to the discretion of the Director of Social Work the child may receive respite care with
.....
5. Subject to the discretion of the Director of Social Work and the agreement of the child/parent/guardian, the child may receive respite care with other carers approved by the Social Work Department in terms of the Boarding Out & Fostering of Children (Scotland) Regulations 1985.
6.

..... (Chairman)

4 Week Review of Children in Care

held at BRAEMINZION, GLEN CLOVA on 22.12.94

on

STACEY LEONARD (7)

Placement Address: c/o Mr & Mrs McConnachie
Braeminzion
GLEN CLOVA

Placement Date: 20 November 1994

Legal Statute: Section 44 1(a) Named Place Order of the 1968 Social Work
(Scotland) Act

Present at Meeting:

Ms Susan Leonard	Mother
Elizabeth Ross	Social Worker
Mrs Pollock	Head Teacher, Tannadice School
Paula Mulford	Link Worker - Family Placement Team
Mrs McConnachie	Foster Carer
Peter Pope	Community Assessment and Review Officer, Chair and Notetaker

Apologies:

Mike Briggs Senior Social Worker

PRESENT SITUATION REGARDING MS SUSAN LEONARD

Susan said she was still living in Fife with her mother, she has been to the Housing Officer in Fife District, Mr Colin MacVeil, he had apparently been unable to contact staff at Arbroath Social Work Department, to confirm with them Susan's position regarding her children. Susan said she understood she was going to be allocated a place in temporary accommodation, she thought in a homeless persons unit in Methil for herself and her children.

Elizabeth said that, ^{she} too, had been unable to get in touch with the relevant Housing Officer in Fife; Peter was concerned at this and asked Elizabeth to write formally to the Housing Officer in Fife explaining the situation, this to be done as soon as possible.

Peter said his experience was that communications between Regions could be difficult and that if matters were being delayed, Elizabeth should approach her Social Work Managers to see if they can take things forward more quickly with Fife District.

SITUATION IN THE McCONNACHIE HOME

Mrs McConnachie felt that [REDACTED] and Stacey had settled well. [REDACTED] However, [REDACTED] and Stacey are eating and sleeping well and seem generally contented in the placement.

[REDACTED]

Mrs McConnachie said her own children and the Leonard children seemed to be mixing in quite well.

Practically speaking, bedding and clothing is satisfactory.

Regarding having adequate information to care for the children, Mrs McConnachie said she had been somewhat shocked when she had taken [REDACTED] to the Procurator Fiscal's office as requested, and some of the things that [REDACTED] had been saying that she had assumed had been fanciful stories actually turned out to be probably true. It was said that some of these things were not known to the Social Work Department. Mrs McConnachie felt that for the moment she had adequate information as she needed to care for the children.

EDUCATION

[REDACTED]

She felt that [REDACTED] as indeed all the children were friendly and got on well with other children at the school. She felt they had been well accepted by the other children.

Ms Leonard said that [REDACTED] had poor hearing but she thought her other children shared this to some extent.

Stacy was described as a keen worker and seemed to be fairly happy generally. At times she can be a bit glum but usually she is friendly and happy.

[REDACTED]

Mrs Pollock noted that all the Leonard children seemed very accepting of adults and there were not the normal barriers between teacher and child that she normally saw in children. It was felt this could make the children more vulnerable to certain adults.

ACCESS

This is occurring twice per week and has happened regularly since the last review. It is supervised, Ms Leonard said she felt it had been positive and it was said the access had been enjoyed on all sides.

WAYS FORWARD

It was said that Ms Leonard had to get suitable accommodation for herself and her children. In addition, Ms Leonard had to satisfy the Social Work Department and the Children's Panel that she was able to care for and protect her children appropriately. Lastly, it was acknowledged that there would have to be adequate supports to Ms Leonard wherever she settled.

It was acknowledged that the above would take some time to get organised, no precise timescale, however, could be put on the matter.

CARE PLAN

For the children to be returned to the care of their mother. This is dependent on Ms Leonard getting suitable accommodation, and Ms Leonard being able to show she is able to care for and protect her children consistently.

This Care Plan was signed by all present.

RECOMMENDATIONS IN SUPPORT OF CARE PLAN

- 1 Ms Leonard to pursue Fife District Housing Authority to obtain accommodation for herself and her children, as soon as possible.
- 2 Elizabeth to write to Fife District Housing Authority explaining Ms Leonard's position and the need for her to get suitable accommodation as soon as possible. Should she find difficulties in getting a satisfactory response from the relevant Housing Authority, she to consult her Management at an early date to see if they can assist in finding a suitable way forward.
- 3 Ms Leonard to continue to have regular access to her children. This to be facilitated^a by the Social Work Department.
- 4 Elizabeth to maintain contact with Ms Leonard, minimally fortnightly, to keep herself updated about Ms Leonard's accommodation situation.

RECOMMENDATIONS contd

- 5 Mr and Mrs McConnachie to continue to care for all three children, and support them as best they can regarding any upset of being away from their mother.
- 6 Paula to maintain contact with Mr and Mrs McConnachie to support them in the care task, seeing them minimally three weekly. Mr and Mrs McConnachie can telephone Paula should they have any queries.

DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT REVIEW

Monday 20 February 1995 at 2.00 pm, at Glen Clova.



Peter Pope
Community Assessment and Review Officer
23 December 1994

Copies to:

All Present
Mike Briggs
Dougie Dunlop, Childcare Manager
Alan Baird, Group Manager

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