

SOCIAL SERVICES REVIEW PANEL

14 SEPTEMBER 2001

Chair: * Dawne Cooper (Independent Person)

Councillors: * Margaret Davine
* Mitzi Green

* Denotes Member Present

PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS - NIL

PART II - MINUTES

126. **Appointment of Chair: RESOLVED:** That Dawne Cooper be appointed Chair of the Panel for the purposes of this meeting.
127. **Arrangement of Agenda: RESOLVED:** That the item listed in Part II of the agenda be considered with the press and public excluded for the reason indicated below:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Reason</u>
6. The Keeping of a Child in Secure Accommodation	This item was considered to contain exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part I to Schedule 12A of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 in that it contains information relating to the care of a particular child.

128. **Terms of Reference: RESOLVED:** That the terms of reference of the Panel be noted.
129. **Guidance Notes: RESOLVED:** That the guidance notes setting out the nature of the Panel be noted.
130. **The Keeping of a Child in Secure Accommodation E.B.:** The Panel considered a report of the Head of Children and Families, which set out the background to the current situation and outlined the reasons why a secure placement was still considered necessary, and a report from the Secure Unit. A report from the Independent Investigator, which set out, inter alia, the views of the child and the child's father, was also circulated.

The Panel carefully reviewed the case, taking into account verbal updates from a Social Services Officer, the Independent Investigator, the Secure Unit, the child and both parents.

Having carefully considered the wishes and the feelings of the child and child's parents, together with all the views expressed at the meeting, the Panel

RESOLVED: That the child remain in the Secure Unit for a period of 8 weeks from the date of 14 September 2001.

(Note: The meeting, having commenced at 11.30 am closed at 1.05 pm).

(Signed) DAWNE COOPER
Chair

Note: Minutes of Social Services Review Panels:

The minutes of each Review Panel meeting are signed by the relevant Chair, to confirm their accuracy, shortly after the meeting has taken place. Minutes of such previous meetings appropriately are not submitted to subsequent Review Panels which will be considering relevant cases under different Chairmanships.