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PAEDOPHILIA

A meeting was held at 31 Clapham Road, London SW9, on 24 March 1976 to discuss provision of support and befriending for those in need of such help.

Present: Antony Grey
 Harold Haywood
 John Heather
 Dr Fay Hutchinson
 Iain Melville
 Maurice Yaffe

It was agreed that support was necessary in the legal, psychological/psychiatric and social work areas.

Iain Melville said PAL wished to run a group in which people could talk freely and openly about their attitudes and experience.

Harold Haywood said that if this was intended to provide ongoing interpretative and supporting help, the Albany Trust would endeavour to provide suitable participants if requested. Also, the Trust would welcome referrals for individual counselling.

Next meeting: Thursday 22nd April at 7.30 p.m.

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A meeting was held at 31 Clapham Road
London. SW9, on 22nd April 1976

Present: David Bloomfield
Antony Grey
John Heather
John Holmstrom
Keith Hose
Iain Melville

The meeting discussed the contents and production of a public information pamphlet.

It was agreed that a question-and-answer format was not the most suitable; it would be preferable to have a series of short essays on different aspects. Those present agreed that they (with the exception of Antony Grey) would accept responsibility for devising and preparing a first draft not later than 1st September. This would then be circulated before the next meeting of the group.

Possible topics: Nature of sexuality. Definitions. What is a "paedophile"? Childrens' development - is there a "latency period"? Childrens' rights and autonomy of choice. What is meaningful consent? Common reactions to, and myths about, paedophilia. Its actual effects - some interviews with older and younger partners in paedophile relationships. Confusion of paedophilia with 'child-molesting'. Primitive attitudes to sex offenders. Research - sources - organisations. Reading list.

Antony Grey said that, while the Albany Trust could not undertake to publish the pamphlet until it had seen a draft, it would consider the mechanics of producing and launching it in due course.

It was agreed to hold a further meeting on Wednesday 15th September.