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PROMISED 'UPDATE' CONCERNING LA-B18 and LA-B19

I am given to understand by Jo Hughes, the Social Worker for the above LA-B18 and LA-B19 that she has been verbally informed by the assessing Social Worker, Bernardette Khan, that the DPA Adoption & Fostering Panel has definitely rejected Mr. and Mrs. Carroll's application to foster the LA-B18 and LA-B19. I am also given to understand that one of the main reasons for this decision is that Mr. Carroll is a convicted 'Schedule 1' offender. If this is correct I strongly feel that this has serious implications for Mr. Carroll and this Directorate as his employer.

As to his Fostering Application, from both a professional and a legal point of view. I fail to see how we could or should overturn the decision that DPA's Adoption & Fostering Panel has made, and I would be grateful if you would make my views known to the members of the scheduled meeting. Obviously, if my information proves to be incorrect these views become irrelevant.

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Patricia Orton
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