

KNOLL VIEW SCHOOL



RO-A140 (d.o.b. [redacted] DPA, 62)

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Bolton.

It is quite apparent from the notes on [redacted] RO-A137 that [redacted] RO-A140 has been involved in subtle manoeuvring (a) he introduced [redacted] RO-A142 a few weeks ago to an undesirable element which occasioned a visit to School by [redacted] RO-A142 mother, and (b) with [redacted] RO-A142 removed from the situation he then introduced [redacted] RO-A137 to the same element.

From all the information we have had it is quite apparent that [redacted] RO-A140 spends little time at home at week-ends, has been using [redacted] RO-A142 and [redacted] RO-A137 as an excuse for being out overnight. The older men with whom he mixes are undoubtedly homosexual; there is every reason to believe that he uses these men to his own end, that is, provision of drinks and, possibly, money. Equally he is mixing with drug addicts and other undesirables and it is quite evident that he manoeuvred the situation on Saturday to keep [redacted] RO-A137 in Bolton. There is strong evidence to suppose that he is actually sleeping with homosexuals. From what we know his mother gave him a right telling off on Sunday afternoon. She pulled his hair and kicked him. It would appear that he reciprocated aggression and vile comment.

Conclusion. This boy is very much at risk but this risk is not limited to himself. He has taken two boys from School into very serious situations. It could be that he could take others. There is no control from the home over his actions. His behaviour at school, good as it is but placed in perspective, is no more than a manipulatory front for his devious behaviour at week-ends. Urgent action is necessary if only to protect other boys.

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Dr. Simpson, 27th July, 1977

Visited Spotland Surgery following description of symptoms to his housefather, Mr. Williams, and Dr. Rowlands diagnosed a sexually transmitted disease [Irrelevant] No prescribed treatment.

I had a long, direct talk with [RO-A140] in the presence of Mrs. Burgess (Matron). The talk emphasised (a) respect for one's body and (b) the difference between sexual relationship based upon love and deviant behaviour.

Although he had broken conditions set by the School and exposed himself to suspension I erred on the side of acknowledging the boy's shock at his complaint and need for help (more particularly in the imminent holiday).

Contacted Dr. Simpson p.m. 26th July, 1977.

Informed Mrs. Sutcliffe, Bolton, Social Worker, and stressed need for holiday placement and part alienation of anticipated harsh parental attitude. No placement available or likely at least until next Tuesday, 2nd. August.

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Deputy Headmaster.