

- (a) sufficient evidence to pass the papers to the Crown Prosecution Service with a subsequent charge and possible conviction
- (b) sufficient evidence to pass the papers to the Crown Prosecution Service but insufficient evidence to lay charges
- (c) insufficient evidence to lay before the Crown Prosecution Service.

I understand that we will eventually receive a communication from the Police regarding the outcome.

B : OUTSTANDING ISSUES

Buildings and Equipment

- 1 Remodelling/equipping of the building to a more home-like environment and one capable of being supervised more effectively.
- 2 Equipping of curriculum areas to enable the implementation of the National Curriculum, following the comments and advice from HMI at their visit in October 1991.

NB: Both 1 and 2 would be modest projects: the school is outdated (dormitories), shabby and poorly equipped but not unsound or completely inappropriate.

- 3 Investigation into the role of the staff

A number of staff have left since the September 1990 incident and new appointments have been made. At the meeting with staff on the 27th March it was apparent that some staff were keen to have their names 'cleared' and, by implications, have others singled out for blame. Since a number of accusations seem to be being passed around, I recommended to Councillor Moffat that we should hold a final investigation solely on the role of the staff in the events of 1990. This has been discussed with the relevant Unions, and the Chief Adviser and EO (Special) with ^{their} statements from all staff next week to establish whether there is any new information and, if so, whether it can be substantiated.

Staff will be briefed about the arrangements on Monday 11th May, in the presence of the Unions.

- 4 Review

Mrs Mellor will visit the school again early in 1993 to assess progress on the recommendations in her report. There will also be termly reviews by the staff and the Governors on progress.

- 5 Training

There is no funding available for essential training eg. on Child Protection issues for ^{care} staff. Although efforts are being made to accommodate staff on other courses (eg. Social Services) it will not provide the level of upgrading required.

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