

ROCHDALE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

KNOWL VIEW

The school consists of four houses: 2 Senior - Egerton and Norden, and 2 Junior - Bamford and Ashworth. The Senior and Junior Units are very well separated - the two Senior Units and two Junior Units are separated only by two doors.

The sexual activity causing concern relates only to Norden and Ashworth Units - there is no concern whatsoever about the other two units. Staff's explanation is that the boys on Norden and Ashworth would have been involved wherever they were placed.

The Units giving cause for concern consisted of, at the time of these incidents:

Norden:

RO-A11
DPA
Heywood Team

Now left school aged 16

RO-A15
DPA
DPA

RO-A18
DPA
Middleton

RO-A14
DPA
Middleton

Now moved to Egerton Unit

RO-A28
16+

Now left school

RO-A16
Aged 15

Now excluded from school

RO-A17
DPA
Heywood

Ashworth:

RO-A9
Central
DPA

RO-A12
DPA
East

Removed by mother

RO-A13
DPA
Middleton

RO-A89

DPA

DPA

RO-B17

DPA

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In relation to the boys referred to in the Health Authority Report:

DPA

- boy in homosexual contact with adult outside school - (RO-A11) - though the only contact reported is with the boy at Sutherland;
- several of the senior boys indulging in oral sex - detailed on the list - the group masturbation referred to was during Rod Hilton's "visit";
- cottaging - (DPA) (DPA) (DPA) and (DPA) (RO-A13), (RO-A10) (RO-A9) and (RO-A24) (DPA) (aged 16, now left school) - see by Police and warned - was taking place during Monday to Friday whilst in Knowl View care - now definitely not the case though it is thought it continues at weekends and holidays;
- 8 year old boy involved - not from Knowl View;
- rent boy removed - (RO-A10) - in care at Poplar House whilst attending Knowl View - difficulty keeping contact via two establishments - removed to 52 week placement.

FT/AMS

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