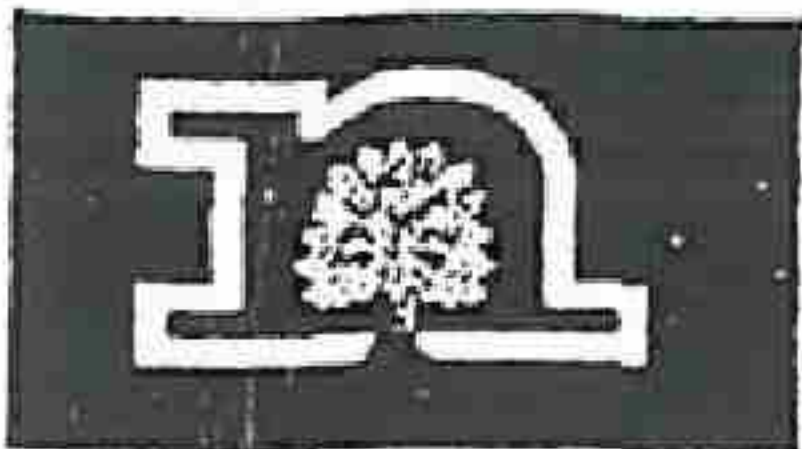


Director SSD

Comm -
See

CH/RES/2
OCTOBER 93



Nottinghamshire County Council
Social Services Department

COMMUNITY HOMES - MONTHLY INSPECTION VISITS

1. Name of Community Home: Beechwood
2. Visit by: Paul Bohan
3. Status: Service Manager
4. Date of visit: 10th January 1994
5. Time of visit: 3.30 pm
6. Date of last visit: 10th December 1993
7. Time of last visit: 7.40 am

8. RECORDS EXAMINED

8.1 Record of sanctions:

Comments: The sanctions placed upon young people were well within the guideline laid down by the departments policies. What was missing was a time on every entry and also a counter signature of a senior manager.

Follow-up action required: As a matter of routine, senior staff coming on duty to countersign and check sanctions book.

8.2 Daily Log:

Comments: The daily log and general communication system within Beechwood is of a high order. The requirement of last month to ensure that all entries are dated and signed has been effected.

Follow-up action required: None.

8.3 Fire record:

Date of last fire drill: 16th December 1993.

Date of last fire test: 3rd January 1994.

Follow-up action required: None required.

ADMIN - A copy of this form to be sent to:

(1) Director of Social Services (Committee Support)

(2) Assistant Director (Trent)

- Retain original

9. ANY COMMENTS MADE BY

9.1 Any child or young person: During my visit I saw six young people. All young people were relaxed, friendly and chatty with one another and staff. Good staff interaction.

Name Redacted **DPA** boy is still at Beechwood despite not having a remand status.

Follow-up action required: Line manager of Beechwood to contact Service Manager, Residential Services DPA to ensure that appropriate plans are made for the young person mentioned above Name Redacted to move to DPA residential accommodation.

9.2 Any family member of a child or young person: I found no evidence of family visiting from the visitors book, but friends did visit regularly, one was present during my inspection.

Follow-up action required: None.

9.3 Any Staff member: Staff were clear about tasks they were asked to undertake.

Follow-up action required: None.

10. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE PREMISES

Comments: A number of staff have decorated the central landing, this included John Barnwell and Paul Brett, with the assistance of a number young people. This has clearly improved the appearance of this fairly dowdy area.

The continual replacement of wall decorations and redecoration on the minor scale needs to continue so that the physical appearance of Beechwood does not decline.

Follow-up action required: None.

11. HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES

Comments:

Follow-up action required:

12. ANY INSTANCES OF SERIOUS VIOLENCE OR INJURY TO A YOUNG PERSON OR STAFF MEMBER, OR ANY ALLEGATIONS OF ABUSE MADE AGAINST STAFF

Comments: None.

Follow-up action required: None.

13. ANY OTHER COMMENTS

Beechwood continues to provide high quality remand care for the Nottingham Criminal Justice system. I was pleased to see the positive adult/young person interaction during my visit which re-enforces my belief in a child centred care system at Beechwood.

DPA

Signed:

P T Bohan, Service Manager

Date: 12th January 1994