

CH/CP/STRAT 1



STRATEGY MEETING / DISCUSSION

(CAIU/ Police Discussion, Consider Paed/ Health, Education and Probation Involvement)

Guidance Notes

- The CH/ CP/ STRAT 1 should be used to indicate outcomes of strategy meetings/ discussions as per ACPC Procedure (Section 2 paras .22 and .23);
- It is a tool for use once S47 enquiries have been agreed and joint SSD/ Police action is necessary;
- When used for strategy meetings, any minutes should be attached to the CH/ CP/ STRAT 1;
- It is important to reflect in the CH/ CP/ STRAT 1 the views and contributions of other agencies;
- Use continuation sheets if necessary

TIME AND DATE 17/4/01 at 10 am at York House :

NAME OF CHILD
NO-A596

PARTICIPANTS	:	
Chris Johnston	Child Protection Coordinator	York House
Helen Arnold	Social Worker	York House
Maureen Taylor	Social Worker	CAMHS – Thorneywood
Delores Faulkner	Team Manager	Fostering & Adoption, 126

STRATEGY AGREEMENT (DATE AND TIME)
(To include Decisions Taken, Identification of Roles, Method of Interview Agreed, Immediate Protection)

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NO-A596

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Household:

Name Redacted foster Carer – 1994. Long-Term foster placement.

Name Redacted – 15 years old, adoptive daughter. Large extended family having contact.

Concerns:

26/3/02, Name Redacted Helen Arnold and Delores Faulkner – consultation with CAHMS.

NO-A596 not eating, losing weight, saying Name Redacted is trying to poison her.

Meeting arranged with whole family the following week. Last half hour with NO-A596. During that time NO-A596 talked a lot about her past and current situation. She felt Name Redacted took Name Redacted's side. Name Redacted winding NO-A596 up, doing things she knows she does not like – touching her food which she knows annoys her and prevents her from eating it.

NO-A596 then talked about when Child DPA/85, lived there (Name Redacted's brother). Hesitant in her disclosure. She said she was scared of Child because he used to come in her room, he would lie on top of her and he 'did it with her'. Name Redacted knew and told a friend that NO-A596 asked Child to 'do it': Name Redacted threatened to tell others.

Maureen tried to clarify 'do it', more than touching Name Redacted used the word rape – he put it in. She said he also tried to wee in her mouth.

NO-A596 said Child was large and everyone was frightened of him. Incident when he held a knife to Name Redacted's throat – siege situation. NO-A596 said it happened a number of times over a 5-6 week period. It is not happening now. This happened when she was 7 years and Child 13 years.

Maureen asked why she had not told Name Redacted and NO-A596 said she thought she would reject her.

Maureen saw NO-A596 again and explained she would need to tell Name Redacted.

Child still visits the home but due to his stealing he is only allowed down stairs and he is closely monitored, he does not pose a threat at the moment.

Previous allegation from NO-A596 – mother asking them to touch her breast and inappropriate sexual behaviour from her brother, Sibling. Sexualised behaviour between siblings when they were initially placed at Name Redacted's.

NO-A596 does not feel Name Redacted was abused by Child

NO-A596 not prepared to speak to the police at this stage.

Decisions:

1. Name Redacted will need to be told of the allegations in order to protect other children. Maureen and Delores will visit Name Redacted
2. Police need to be informed.
3. CAHMS will continue to work with the family and will do sessions with Name Redacted and NO-A596.
4. Helen Arnold to inform NO-A596's parents of the allegations.

No further Strategy meeting unless further disclosures are made.

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