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convincing himself that what he did was wrong "because I wasn't a doctor". When challenged about this he stated that he was unsure about whether his behaviour was a result of "sexual desire" – but "the fact I felt guilty means perhaps there was (sexual desire)".

not good

Father to discipline

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5.3 He has been able to acknowledge that, over the years, he has felt an inappropriate attraction towards some boys. His request to give up the Chaplaincy of the Middle School in 1989 was as a consequence of this realisation, and he indicated that there had been instances of him "kissing now and then" and that there were one or two boys to whom he became "too close". Although he was able to locate the incident of inappropriate kissing of a boy to the time following the death of his own father, **RC-F41** was able to acknowledge that his attraction to some boys is current, stating that on the previous Sunday at Mass he had observed an alter-boy and that sexual images "had come into his mind".

not sexual

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I think pleasant images but not sexual

As if Father

### 6. Risk Assessment:

6.1 In any assessment of current and future risk it is necessary to identify the nature of the risk and the level of harm which would be caused were that risk to be actualised. It is necessary to consider the past behaviour, which gives rise to the current concerns, including the motivation driving such behaviour and the extent to which known predictors of the behaviour are evident at the present time. It is also necessary to consider the circumstances in which previous matters of concern have arisen, including access to potential victims.

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6.2 In interview **RC-F41** was keen to stress his honesty in relation to any questions asked of him; indeed almost his first words were "you will get nothing but the truth". Although not charged with any offences he openly admitted not only the substantive accusation, but also other behaviour which, were a complaint to be made, could result in criminal charges. In relation to the abuse of **RC-A421** he has, as indicated above, fully accepted that he behaved in the manner described. Initially he took the stance that this behaviour was wrong only because he was not medically qualified i.e. his motivation was simply to check that there was no obstruction. He appears now to recognise that it was not only the act, but the motivation which was unacceptable.

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