
REPORT OF THE LEAD MEMBER FOR
COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTORATE

TO THE SOCIAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
ON 9 MAY 2001

TITLE : ROTA VISITS CARRIED OUT IN CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL
UNITS

RECOMMENDATIONS : That the contents of this report be noted.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY :

The report contains details of rota visits carried out by Members and Officers during the months of January to March 2001 and action carried out as a result.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS :
(Available for public inspection)

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WARD(S) TO WHICH REPORT RELATE(S)

KEY COUNCIL POLICIES: Regulation 22 of the Children Act 1989 requires monthly visits to all homes by those responsible, or by their representatives. The report should be presented to an appropriate committee of members of the authority.

CITY OF SALFORD COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICES

SUMMARY OF ROTA VISITS TO CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL UNITS FOR SOCIAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

JANUARY 2001 VISITS

ESTABLISHMENT	Date	By	Comments	Action Taken
Barton Moss - Ash House	29.01.01	Panel	Games room is very dark. No dishwasher only a glass washer in home.	Young people chose the colour in the games room. Discussions planned to suggest changing to a lighter colour in the room, with agreement from young people.
Barton Moss - Beech House		Officer	None carried out	
Foxhill	29.01.01	Panel	Report not received to date.	
The Grange	30.01.01	Officer	Good visit. Safety gate to kitchen required. Has safety requirements of building been explained to parents group ?	Manager to look into issues raised about mums and toddlers group. -completed-
262 Liverpool Road	29.12.00	Panel	Home is running well. Bathroom is in good repair but very large and bare.	further thoughts will be given to the bathroom.
Fitzwarren Court		Panel	None carried out	
Greenbank		Officer	None carried out	

Moorfield	30.01.01	Panel	No lock on disabled toilet door and seat missing. Shower room used for storing broken furniture. Bedroom furniture in poor state. Open access to boilers. Walls dented. Dirty windows.	Lack of storage space. Looking into the matter of delay in mending furniture, all repairs mentioned have been reported. Struggling to get a window cleaner, asked for support from supplies.
Northfield	30.01.01	Officer	Well maintained home. Relationships between staff and young people good. No record of fire drill or maintenance of appliances. No young people's meetings. No risk assessments on file.	Fire drills now held quarterly. Meetings for young people, area for further developments. Care Services Manager to look into why there are no risk assessments.
Coniston Ave		Panel	None carried out	
Silverdale	22.12.00	Panel	Staff concerned about state of building especially the entrance. Various training is required by staff.	Work has begun in some arrears to improve the quality of the home. Training programmes are running and the unit had a development day on January 30 th .
Trafford Drive		Officer	None carried out	
Whittle St		Officer	None carried out	

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FEBRUARY 2001 VISITS

ESTABLISHMENT	Date	By	Comments	Action Taken
Barton Moss - Ash House	-	Officer	No visit done	-
Barton Moss - Beech House	22.02.01	Panel	Good visit	N/A required
Foxhill	26.02.01	Officer	Complaints book not being used. Some documents missing from young people's file. Unsure of staffing numbers.	Complaints book to be set up. Admin to chase missing documents. Re: staffing, five members of staff and 16 floating hours available to use between two units.
The Grange	22.02.01	Panel	Good visit	N/A required
262 Liverpool Road	-	Officer	No visit done	-
Fitzwarren Court	-	Officer	No visit done	-
Greenbank	09.02.01	Panel	Good visit. Concerns re education. Items of clothing have gone missing. Some decoration needed	Will get an estimate for re-decorating. Part time activity worker planned. Missing items will be looked in to.
Moorfield	-	Officer	No visit done	-
Northfield	28.02.01	Panel	Good visit	N/A required
Coniston Ave	-	Officer	No visit done	-

Silverdale	20.02.01	Officer	Statement of purpose needs up- dating and fire book. Entrance to home not secure.	Both books and procedures will be up-dated. Security of entrance is being discussed with housing and surveyor.
Trafford Drive	-	Panel	No visit done	-
Whittle St	-	Panel	No visit done	-

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MARCH 2001 VISITS

ESTABLISHMENT	Date	By	Comments	Action Taken
Barton Moss - Ash House	22.03.01	Panel	Could do with modernisation- Good visit	N/A
Barton Moss - Beech House Foxhill	13.03.01	Officer Panel	Good visit No visit done	N/A -
The Grange	09.03.01	Officer	Good visit	
262 Liverpool Road	-	Panel	No visit done	-
Fitzwarren Court	-	Panel	No visit done	-
Greenbank	-	Officer	No visit done	-
Moorfield	-	Panel	No visit done	-
Northfield	30.03.01	Officer	Good visit	N/A
Coniston Ave	-	Panel	No visit done	-
Silverdale	-	Panel	No visit done	-
Trafford Drive Whittle St	15.03.01	P.Woltman S.Hood	Good visit No visit done	N/A -