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THE INDEPENDENT JERSEY CARE INQUIRY

EXHIBIT 

Record of a Meeting of the Advisory Committee for Les Chenes School held at the School on Monday, 1st June, 1981.

Present: Senator R. R. Jeune, O.B.E., Chairman
Deputy A. D. Le Brocq
Jurat J. H. Vint
A. Smith

In attendance: J. S. Rodhouse, Director of Education
C. A. Smith, Children's Officer

Record of
previous
meeting

Matters
arising

Report

1. The record of the meeting held on 2nd February, 1981, which had been circulated to the members was approved and signed by the Chairman.

2. It was reported that Miss Diane Smith, from the Jersey Evening Post, would be writing an article on Les Chenes in the very near future.

3. [REDACTED] reported that there had been three admissions, on remand, since the last meeting.

[REDACTED] b. [REDACTED] 69 remanded by the Juvenile Court on [REDACTED] 1981, and [REDACTED] b. [REDACTED] 67 admitted by Jurat's Warrant on [REDACTED] 1981, and formally remanded by the Juvenile Court on [REDACTED] 1981. On 31st January, 1981, [REDACTED] was charged with the theft of [REDACTED], and [REDACTED] and another boy, [REDACTED] b. [REDACTED] 67, who had been remanded to the care of his mother, were charged with aiding and abetting. Reports from the Children's Officer, [REDACTED] and Mr. J. Birtwistle, were submitted to the Juvenile Court on [REDACTED] 1981, with a recommendation that the case be remitted to the Royal Court and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] be made the subjects of a Fit Person Order and remain at Les Chenes and [REDACTED] be placed under the supervision of a named Officer. This recommendation was rejected by the Magistrate as he considered the actual offences did not warrant such action. The three boys were each placed on Probation for three years.

Mr. A. Smith said that he had been a member of the Juvenile Court panel when the case was heard and it was the opinion of the panel that the three boys should be given similar punishment irrespective of social factors.

Concern was expressed by Jurat Vint as he considered that each boy should have been dealt with on his needs as an individual, irrespective of the offence. In view of this it was recommended that the Advisory Committee seek a meeting with members of the Juvenile Court panel to discuss matters of mutual concern.