



Diocesan Committee for Allegations of Sexual Misconduct

Chairperson - Jean Sanders.

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**CONFIDENTIAL**

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Bishop Roger Herft  
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Dear Bishop Roger

**Re: The Revd. <sup>CKR</sup> 's son and Ian Barrack issue:**

I was contacted by <sup>CKR</sup> with a request that I meet with her. As you were away I requested permission from Bishop Graeme, that permission was given. I met with <sup>CKR</sup> this week at the Central Coast.

The alleged abuse involved in this issue is much more serious than is documented in C.A.S.M.'s files. As you were previously advised by telephone by the <sup>CKR</sup>, an act of sodomy and oral sex acts were involved, as well as intimate photographs taken of <sup>CKU</sup> by Ian Barrack. As <sup>CKU</sup> was only 13 at the time, these allegations constitute very serious sexual abuse of a minor. <sup>CKR</sup> and her son are also very distressed with the delay by police in addressing this issue. I suggested to <sup>CKR</sup> that she should meet with you again and discuss the issue, I feel she would benefit from your personal spiritual guidance. <sup>CKR</sup> has advised me she has made an appointment to meet with you.

<sup>CKR</sup>'s son is refusing counselling, he is having difficulty speaking about this issue. I have suggested to <sup>CKR</sup> that he may agree to being supported by a contact person and as <sup>CKU</sup> is living in REDACTED, I have suggested Jan Adeney would be the ideal person to act as a contact/support person, as he may be able to speak openly to her.

It has been brought to my notice that Examining Chaplains may have been aware of Ian Barrack's difficulties with regard to sexual orientation prior to accepting him as a student at Morpeth Ministry Centre. I believe he was accepted on his second attempt to gain entry to the College. While undertaking training as a student, Ian was assigned to a parish within the diocese. The parish council stipulated that Ian Barrack should not have

contact with the C.E.B.S. group. Also, as you are probably aware, it is thought that Ian had a sexual relationship with REDACTED while both were students at Morpeth. REDACTED REDACTED subsequently left the College and was divorced by his wife. There is no documentation regarding any of these issues in the Diocesan Office, [I requested a search by Pat and Bruce Hockman, there were no relevant records]. I have made contact with Bishop Graeme concerning documentation of these issues, as it was felt by Bruce Hockman that Bishop may have the information. I have not heard back from Bishop Graeme as yet.

This is a complex and painful issue for CKR and her family, particularly her son. If the allegations are true, CKU was abused in the most demeaning manner, his youthful innocence and faith destroyed in a theological college.

Sincerely,



JEAN SANDERS  
CHAIR- C.A.S.M.