



Diocesan Committee for Allegations of Sexual Misconduct

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**CONFIDENTIAL**

August 12, 2003

The Right Reverend Roger Herft  
 Anglican Diocese of Newcastle  
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 2300

Dear Bishop Roger

Please find enclosed information forwarded to me by the Reverend<sup>CKR</sup> :

The first statement mentioned by the Revd.<sup>CKR</sup> in her covering letter to me is already with CASM'S records, so I have not forwarded a second copy of that statement.

I have spoken to the Revd.<sup>CKR</sup> on several occasions, her major concerns are:

- Obviously for her son<sup>CKU</sup> . He has not had counselling and has never totally unburdened himself with regard to this matter. There is little doubt he remains a victim, and is experiencing all of the associated confusion, emotional and spiritual pain.
- The police do not seem to be pursuing this issue. There has been a long delay and lack of interest. <sup>CKU</sup> 's statement to the police, as you will note, contained allegations of a very serious nature, he was subjected to anal intercourse and oral sexual acts. One has to ask, why isn't the police taking this matter seriously?
- The environment at Morpeth Ministry Centre. A number of clergy have spoken to me over a period of time regarding the problems at Morpeth. I'm sure the Revd.<sup>CKR</sup> will wish to discuss this issue with you.

It has been mentioned that this matter is related to 'child-minding'. I suppose the inference was that the Revd.<sup>CKR</sup> was a single mother who required assistance regarding the care of her son and obviously Ian Barrack was available. However, Ian Barrack is married and I have no doubt, if he had been single, the Revd.<sup>CKR</sup> would have intervened in the relationship much sooner. This is not a matter relevant to child-minding. If the

allegations are correct, it is an issue of the misuse of power, manipulation, 'grooming' and abuse.

You will also note in the documentation that a lawyer has been retained.

My personal concerns are for <sup>CKU</sup> and for his mother. The Revd. <sup>CKR</sup> 's strong and certain faith and prayer life have sustained her over many difficult years. However, she does need your care Bishop, she has spoken to me concerning her respect for your personal spiritual ministry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean".

JEAN SANDERS  
CHAIR – C.A.S.M.

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