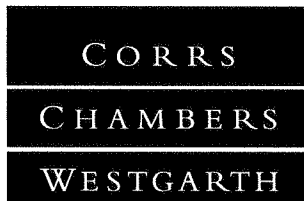




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Dear Peter

KEVIN LYNCH INVESTIGATION

Howard Stack, Julie Cameron and I attended a without prejudice meeting this afternoon with the solicitors for the various claimants, Shine Roche McGowan.

The meeting went much as anticipated although they conceded they had difficulties on liability and on the limitation period issue. They enquired whether we were interested in resolving the claims without them having to issue proceedings. We said that we were but that we can only consider the matters if sufficient information is provided to us to enable us to form a view on liability, the quantum of each claim and the likelihood of each claimant obtaining an extension of the limitation period. I said the need for sufficient information in relation to each claim is driven by:

- 1 The necessity to provide details to the School's insurers; and
- 2 The fact that the School is subject to statutory audit.

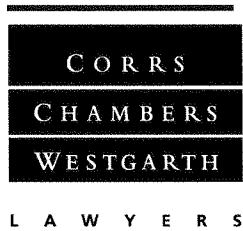
It is probably stating the obvious but our impression was that they want to settle the claims without having to incur substantial costs. They even suggested that if a global sum could be agreed then they would obtain the necessary agreement of each of the claimants as to the division of that sum between the various claimants.

The matter was left on the basis that they will provide details of the claims to us within the next two weeks. I anticipate those details will fall far short of the information we would need to properly consider the claims. However, at least the information should identify the claimants and we can then see whether or not any of the claimants have made complaints to the School.



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There is nothing further for us to do at the moment other than await receipt of the information.

Regards

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