

President & Executive,  
Gold Coast Family Support Group Inc.  
Southport Q

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Would you please answer the following questions:-

What is the role of the Executive ?

Grievance Mechanism What is the correct procedure ?

Why wasn't this procedure followed when there was a very serious complaint regarding the sexual molesting of a child by a support worker ?

Why wasn't the President and all members of the Executive informed by the Vice President and Manager regarding this complaint ?

Why wasn't the parents given the opportunity to meet with the Executive at the time of the original complaint and yet the molester was given this opportunity ?

Why hasn't this person been suspended when each of the Executive who were aware of this complaint, have indicated to us that they believe the child was molested.

When will I receive a copy of the reports and Minutes regarding this matter, or hasn't reports or minutes being written ?

What safety precautions does the Executive & Committee intend to put in place for the future to prevent a child being placed in a such a situation ?  
IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT SHOULD THE POLICE & PUBLIC PROSECUTOR BE OF THE OPINION THAT THE COMPLAINANT IS NOT CAPABLE OF APPEARING IN COURT, THE CASE CANNOT PROCEED which would apply with almost all of our children.

What procedure is to be followed in employment of staff ? e.g. police checks.

What education does the Executive intend to provide to:-

- Executive & Committee
- Management & Office Staff
- Support Staff
- Parents.

I would like to move that the above matters be dealt with immediately by the entire Executive & Committee and that a Training Seminar for Staff, Committee & Parents be held with the Juvenile Aid Bureau, Gold Coast Sexual Assault Support Group and Dr. K. O'Sullivan.

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*Standard procedure*

*Parent has*

*to complain in writing to committee*

*No letter received from parents to committee*

*Incorrect, Committee has not met alleged molester*

*Agreed to respect Police Report. may have been*

*Given to parents*

*arrange police*

*police*

*police*

*better than ... for all ... working*