

Michael Elliott

From: Michael Elliott
Sent: Thursday, 2 February 2012 3:37 PM
To: Bishop Peter
Subject: RE: Bruce Hoare - confidential

Dear Bishop Peter,

Thank you for the update on this situation.

My advice in relation to The Rev'd Bruce Hoare remains the same as that I conveyed to Cec at the time he engaged Rev'd Bruce, that is;

- *I do not believe he should be working with vulnerable persons (especially young men) even under supervision.*

I base this assessment on;

- a) The seriousness and details of current allegations for which he is under suspension
- b) Prior adverse findings before a 2008 Diocesan Professional Standards Board for sexual misconduct
- c) Available intelligence information
- d) Other relevant risk factors (eg; organisational reputation, insurance)

To be completely honest I was under the impression he would be working behind the scenes packing Christmas hampers or something, which is why I supported the appointment at the time, but I did make my advice clear which appears to have been ignored.

Kind Regards

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From: Bishop Peter
Sent: Thursday, 2 February 2012 3:03 PM
To: Bishop Brian; Michael Elliott; John Cleary
Subject: Bruce Hoare

Dear colleagues:

I understand from Cec that Bruce is involved in two volunteer programs at Samaritans. In one program he is part of a group at which there is a Samaritans employee present and which talks with ex-prisoners about addiction. In the other program he is involved with visiting elderly men.

This process of meaningful volunteering assists Bruce's wellness and access to Centrelink benefit.

Michael can you advise me if this needs to be reviewed further.

Grace and peace

+Peter

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