

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

**3 October 2012**

**Mr Bruce Hoare**

On 27 September 2012 the Samaritans Foundation became aware that the allegations made against Mr Bruce Hoare, fell under the reportable conduct criteria with the NSW Ombudsman's Office as there was allegedly another person present in the room at the time of the alleged incident, who was 17 years of age at the time. While the Samaritans Foundation had been previously aware that there was allegedly another person in the room at the time of the alleged incident, the Company was not aware of the person's alleged age.

Therefore, on 27 September 2012, the Samaritans Foundation assessed that they must follow the NSW Ombudsman's requirements following discussion with NSW Ombudsman Employee, Judith Grant.

Following this the Samaritans Foundation performed another risk assessment of Mr Hoare's voluntary work in the Home for Good Program. As Mr Hoare was on leave at the time this risk assessment was not conducted until 3 October 2012. Following review it was determined that the original risk assessment was still appropriate, however, as the Home for Good Program operates in a service adjacent to another where people of 18 years or younger frequent, Mr Hoare would be also advised that he must only remain within his service boundaries and at no time is he to engage in formal communication with any person who may be 18 years of age or younger on his own. Mr Hoare's two supervisors at the same site were also advised of this risk management strategy. These conversations would take place on Mr Hoare's return from leave on or around 8 October 2010.



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**Chief Executive Officer**