





Royal Commission
into Institutional Responses
to Child Sexual Abuse

Supplementary Statement

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1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that I am prepared to give to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. The statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
2. This statement is made to supplement the matters contained in my statement dated 23 June 2016 which has been provided to the Royal Commission (STAT.1029.001.0001_R).
3. For the purposes of making this statement, I have been shown a copy of:
 - a. a document titled 'Crime Report Print' dated 8 November 2004 (QLD.0088.001.0010_R);
 - b. a statement of Lloyd Hastings dated 24 June 2016 (STAT.1031.001.0001_R);
 - c. a statement of Dorothy Ilma Williams dated 7 July 2016 (STAT.1058.001.0001_R);
and
 - d. the transcript of the public hearing of the Royal Commission's Case Study 41 (Day 201) dated 14 July 2016.
4. At paragraphs 91 and 130 respectively of his statement, Mr Hastings states that he would have been, and was, told by the police that there was 'no case to answer' in relation to the allegations against John O'Connor involving Bobbie Welch. On 14 July 2016, at lines 20456:40 and 20457:30 of the transcript, Mr Hastings told the Royal Commission that he

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Statement of Neil Parker continued

had a conversation with me in 1998 during which I said to him that there was 'no case to answer' in relation to the allegations against John O'Connor involving Bobbie Welch.

- 5. I do not recall Mr Hastings or having had a conversation with him about the investigation of those allegations. However, if I did I would not have used the words 'no case to answer'. It is not and has never been my practice to use such words in relation to the investigation of allegations of child sexual abuse.
- 6. If I did have a conversation with Mr Hastings in 1998 regarding the status and/or outcome of the investigation of the allegations, I would have said words to the effect that there was insufficient evidence at that time to proceed with a prosecution against Mr O'Connor.
- 7. At paragraph 54 of her statement, Mrs Williams refers to the Gold Coast Family Support Group having received a police report that stated that there was no case to answer.
- 8. I do not recall ever providing any report to the Gold Coast Family Support Group or FSG Australia regarding the investigation of the allegations against John O'Connor involving Bobbie Welch. If I did provide such a report, I would not have used the words 'no case to answer'.
- 9. Further, if I did provide such a report, I would not have done so in writing. It is not and has never been my practice to provide written reports regarding the status and/or outcome of investigations into allegations of alleged criminal offences to complainants, informants or suspected offenders, much less to provide written reports to third parties to an investigation such as, in this case, the Gold Coast Family Support Group or FSG Australia.

Signed: REDACTED *Neil Parker*

Date: *15th July 2016*

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Date: *15/7/2016*

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