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Mr and Mrs N Crawford
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Dear Mr and Mrs Crawford

May I first express my deepest sympathy to both of you and your children on the death of your baby daughter, Lucy on 14 April 2000.

May I also say it is not my purpose or intention to add to your already great burden and distress by making contact with you.

I explained that the Trust had briefed the Council on the issues leading up to your daughter's death and the findings of the Coroner Mr Lecky. I felt it would be important to hear for myself your views of the Coroner's Inquest and findings.

As a Council there is an expectation that we will make public comment on these issues and I would have preferred to have spoken with you beforehand.

I fully accept you may not wish to meet with me in view of your feelings that this Council did not do enough to assist you with your complaint. However I would like to have the opportunity to discuss all of this with you.

As promised I enclose a copy of the letter sent by Mr Stanley Millar to Ms Colhoun on the 31 July 2000 requesting a meeting with her. There is no evidence in the file that she responded to this letter. I understand he did try to reach her by telephone but was unsuccessful.

I would be very grateful if you were prepared to meet with me at your convenience. I am happy to meet in the evening time if this suits you better and at a venue of your choice.

Yours sincerely

Maggie Reilly
Chief Officer