

<b>BR 3</b>		
Religious Names:	<b>BR 3</b>	
Christian Name:	<b>BR 3</b>	
Birthplace:	_____ Co.	_____
Date of Birth:	_____	
Junior Novitiate	Castletown	_____
Senior Novitiate	Castletown	_____
Received Habit	Castletown	_____
First Vows	Castletown:	_____
Perpetual Vows	Waterford	_____
<b>Studies &amp; Appointments</b>		
Mallow Scholasticate		_____
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Miguel House, Castletown		_____

would have taken steps to deal with it. Specifically he would have informed the Provincial of the Order rather than approach Br1 or C12's Social Worker.

- 10.32 This was a direct conflict of evidence between C12 and **BR 3**. We found C12 to be a straightforward witness whose evidence did not appear to carry any malice. Nor did he exaggerate the nature or purpose of his conversation with **BR 3**. However in the absence of any corroboration on either side we are unable to come to any firm conclusion as to whether an explicit approach was made to **BR 3**. **BR 3**'s evidence, that on receipt of any such information he would have consulted the Provincial of the Order but not the boy's Social Worker was, in our view, based on a misapprehension. While consultation within the Order would be perfectly appropriate in such circumstances, it would be wrong for the body with statutory responsibility not to be alerted immediately to such a matter.

Complaint against **BR 77**

- 10.33 On **BR 77** a resident of the home, referred to in evidence as C8, attended the casualty department of a hospital for an eye injury which required stitches. This was noted on C8's personal file held in the home. In his **BR 77** police statement C8 described the incident as occurring after a basketball match. **BR 77** struck him, causing a cut on his eye. He then gave C8 first aid and took him to hospital where he received stitches. **BR 77** indicated that he could get into trouble for what he had done if C8 reported him. C8 informed Br1 of the assault the following day. Later in the week he told his Social Worker that he had cut his eye playing basketball but did not refer to the assault because he was afraid of **BR 77**.

- 10.34 The incident subsequently came to the attention of a Social Worker on secondment from the Down and Connor Catholic Welfare Society who reported it to Father John O'Connor, Director of the Catholic Family Welfare Office and a member of the Management Committee of the home. He reported the matter in turn to Father McCann. Father McCann told us that when he heard of the matter, at some time in **BR 77** he went to the home and spoke to Br1. Br1 confirmed that the assault had occurred and

## THE INQUIRY INTO HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONAL ABUSE 1922 TO 1995

Re HIA 21 – [REDACTED] HIA 21

Response by De La Salle Order

Date:

Br Pius McCarthy, Provincial Secretary, assisted in the preparation of this statement. He died on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2014 before being able to sign same. Br Francis Manning, Provincial, adopts the contents of this statement on behalf of the De La Salle Order. Certain sections may have been amended, where applicable, to reflect tense in the third person.

I, Br Francis Manning will say as follows;

1. [REDACTED] HIA 21, born [REDACTED] was admitted to Rubane House on [REDACTED] and was discharged to the care of [REDACTED] DL 140 and the Aftercare Committee on the [REDACTED] – see **Exhibit 1**.
2. [REDACTED] HIA 21 is well known to the Order as he has maintained regular contact with a number of the Brothers who cared for him over a long period of time. Those Brothers who know him are of the view that he is generally supportive of the Brothers and the Order.
3. In respect of paragraph 22: Boys were given numbers, primarily for marking their clothing and the distribution of rewards.
4. In respect of paragraph 23: The Order has long been aware of this incident and indeed Br [REDACTED] BR 3, in his private discussions with [REDACTED] HIA 21, has accepted the accuracy of this account. The incident was out of character for [REDACTED] BP 3 ([REDACTED] BR 3). [REDACTED] HIA 21 would be aware of [REDACTED] BR 3's explanation for same. It is assumed that [REDACTED] BR 3 had a momentary loss of control. [REDACTED] BR 3 and [REDACTED] HIA 21 became good friends, both during and after [REDACTED] HIA 21's discharge from the Home, a friendship which continues to the current day. The Order notes [REDACTED] HIA 21's recollection that [REDACTED] BR 3 was 'much liked by the other lads and was someone you could talk too.' That equates with the recollection of surviving Brothers, that [REDACTED] BR 3 was a Brother with whom many of the boys confided.

5. [REDACTED]