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By Email

Dear Partners,

Your clients: Callum and Victoria TURNBALL

I write to update you in respect of the above. Firstly, I would be grateful if you could thank your clients for their continued patience while the Authority completed its initial assessment of this matter.

I can confirm that the Authority's initial review is now complete and that this matter has been considered at a meeting of Authority's management team. At that meeting, the Authority decided that it should commence an independent investigation into the complaint raised by your clients.

The investigation will consider the information provided by your clients and the Police. It will also involve the Authority making enquiries with the Office of the Ombudsman and potentially other agencies before determining whether there are any issues with the way in which the Police conducted the re-investigation of allegations of assault and unlawful detention relating to Ruru Specialist School.

Nic Johnstone has been appointed to investigate this matter and she will be in contact with you over the next few weeks, once she has read all the information relating to this matter and devised an investigation plan. In the meantime, if you have any queries regarding the content of this letter please do not hesitate to contact the Authority quoting the reference number set out above.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Goodall

Manager: Investigations

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