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Dear Gaye Davidson

Thank you for your letter of 24 May concerning procedures pertaining to the suspension of the licence for the Civic Childcare Centre.

I am well aware of the procedures and actions which were undertaken by the Ministry of Education. These followed a thorough investigation which included extensive consultation with the Police, the Christchurch City Council, and the Department of Social Welfare.

I am confident that the issues you refer to have been through due legal processes.

The Ministry of Education has determined that, in taking account of the findings of the "Review of the Management Policy and Practices of the Civic Childcare Centre July 1992" commissioned by the Christchurch City Council, and the comments made by Justice Williamson in the summation of the case, further investigations would serve no purpose.

Yours sincerely

Lockwood Smith PhD Minister of Education