



General Social Care Council

Name of Registrant: Mrs Bronte Naomi Smith

SCR No: 1073695

Date: 13-16 April 2010

Time: 10:00am

Venue: General Social Care Council, Goldings House, 2nd Floor, 2 Hay's Lane, SE1 2HB London

Information about forthcoming hearing where the following matters will be heard by an independent committee of the General Social Care Council:

1. Whilst employed by Hampshire County Council as Unit Manager of a Children's Unit (the "Unit"), between December 1997 and 21 July 2008; you
 - a) Were responsible for financial irregularities in that;
 - i. You purchased items intended for your;
 - (a) own benefit;
 - (b) use;
 - (c) consumption;
 - ii. you did not reimburse the Unit for the cost of the items described at paragraph 1(a)(i);
 - b) stored items at your home which were purchased with Unit funds;
 - c) met with the Audit Team, on 8 October 2007, and were unable to locate items, at the Unit, which you had purchased on behalf of the Unit;
 - d) returned to the Unit a number of the items, referred to at paragraph 1(d), on 9 October 2007 without informing either the Audit Team or the Children's Services Department;
 - e) failed to adhere to Departmental Policies and Procedures with regards to financial management by;
 - (i) making personal purchases on the same receipt as the Unit's purchases;
 - (ii) taking cash advances from the safe without recording these on a Gen 13 form;

- (iii) used petty case for inappropriate purchases;
 - f) made inappropriate telephone contact with a member of staff at the Unit on 12 October 2007, despite being;
 - (i) suspended from work;
 - (ii) instructed not to make contact with any member of staff;
 - g) used a work mobile phone for unauthorised personal calls;
 - h) accrued personal call charges in, or around, the sum of £270.00;
 - i) did not reimburse for the cost of the personal calls;
 - (i) the Unit;
 - (ii) your employer;
2. Your conduct as set out at paragraph 1(d) was;
- (a) inappropriate;
 - (b) misleading;
3. Your conduct as set out at paragraphs 1(a), (b), (e), (g), (h) and (i) was;
- (a) inappropriate;
 - (b) dishonest.