

APPENDIX 5  
QUESTION 5.13

5.13 Crown

a) To what extent has the crown raised proceedings in respect of allegations of abuse of children in foster care:

*Once in relation to a NFAS foster carer.*

b) What is the name of the person(s) against whom the proceedings were raised.

*Mr. David Leggett*

c) What was the nature of the charges:

*NFAS were informed that Mr Leggett committed serious sexual offences against female children one of who was a fostered child.*

d) What was the outcome of the proceedings, including disposal/sentence, if there was a conviction.

*On the 19th September 2012, Mr Leggett pleaded guilty and received a custodial sentence of 8 years.*

e) What was the organisation's response to the proceeding and outcome.

*On the 3/8/2012, the organisation was contacted by Fife Police to advise that they were at the start of an investigation involving Mr Leggett. Clackmannanshire, the placing authority, also contacted the Agency and arrangements were made to move the two foster children placed with Mr [REDACTED] Leggett to alternative foster carers.*

*NFAS followed, 'Working Together' protocols in respect of the Police and Local Authority investigation. The Care Inspectorate were notified. Once the investigations were completed, the organisation followed fostering regulations and terminated Mr Leggett's fostering approval. NFAS commissioned an external independent review of its processes (please see question 5.5).*