# CASE NO: [Enter Case Number]

# IN THE [ENTER COURT NAME] FAMILY COURT

**IN THE MATTER OF THE CHILDREN ACT 1989**

**BETWEEN:**

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|  | [Enter Applicant’s Full Name] | Applicant |
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|  | **- and -** |  |
|  |  |  |
|  | **[Enter Respondent’s Full Name]** | **1st Respondent** |
|  |  |  |
|  | **SECTION 7 REPORT PREPARED ON BEHALF OF**  **[ENTER LOCAL AUTHORITY NAME]** |  |

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| **Name:** | **[Enter Your Name]** |
| **Address:** | **[Enter Your Address]** |

**This report has been prepared for the court and should be treated as confidential. It must not be shown nor its contents revealed to anyone other than a party or a legal adviser to such a party. Such legal adviser may make use of the report in connection with an application for Public Funding.**

I am the Social Worker allocated to this family since [date]. I qualified as a Social Worker in [year] having obtained [qualification] from [institution where qualification gained]. I have been employed as a Social Worker by [ENTER LOCAL AUTHORITY NAME] since [date].

This report is prepared pursuant to the Order of the Court dated [date]. The report was filed and served on the parties on [date].

**1.0 NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS**

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1. **MATTERS AT ISSUE:**

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| The court directed that the Section 7 Report considered the following issues: |

# FAMILY COMPOSITION AND CHILD(REN)’S CURRENT PLACE OF RESIDENCE:

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| **Name** | **DOB** | **Relationship** | **Address** | **Ethnicity** |
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| **The children currently reside with:** |
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1. **ENQUIRIES**

For the purpose of preparing this report I have made the following enquiries:

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| **Date** | **Nature of Enquiry** |
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I have read the statements and court papers that were forwarded to me, namely:

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| **Name of Document** | **Document Date** |
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I have undertaken statutory checks as follows:

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| **Statutory Checks Undertaken** |
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1. **RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION, INCLUDING INFORMATION FROM SOCIAL SERVICES’ RECORDS**

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1. **APPLICANT – [Enter Applicant’s Full Name]**

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1. **RESPONDENT – [Enter Respondent’s Full Name]**

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1. **CHILDREN**

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| * 1. Add Content |

1. **WELFARE CHECKLIST**

*Each section to include an evaluation. Each child to be dealt with separately, with section referring to sibling group (if appropriate).*

**9.1 The ascertainable wishes and feelings of the children concerned:**

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**9.2 Their physical, emotional and educational needs:**

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| * + 1. Add Content. |

**9.3 The likely effect of any change of circumstances**

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| * + 1. Add Content. |

**9.4 Their age, sex, background and any characteristics which the Court considers relevant:**

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| * + 1. Add Content. |

**9.5 Any harm which they have suffered or are at risk of suffering**

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**9.6 How capable are each of the parents at meeting their needs**

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**9.7 The Court’s powers under the Act**

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| * + 1. Add Content. |

**10.0 ASSESSMENT**

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##### 11.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

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| * 1. Add Content. |

I write this report believing the contents to be true and knowing that it may be placed before the Court.

Signed ………………………………………….. Date:…………….

**[Enter Your Name]**, **Social Worker**