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Dear Amanda,

RE: STEVE GOODFELLOW – VOLUNTEER COUNSELLOR

I am writing in respect of your request for a reference for Steve Goodfellow in connection with a voluntary counselling placement at Whitefield School.

Steve is currently studying on year one of a Diploma in Humanistic Integrative Counselling for CPPD Counselling School, Hornsey. I have been the Supervisor for his counselling studies since October 2005.

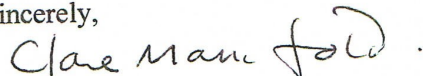
Whitefield School will be his first placement on the Diploma so my reference is drawn from his work in individual and group supervision and a taped session with the CCPD's actor as client.

I am aware that Steve works at Old Library Centre Virtual School with students 13-17 years as Head Teacher and so is familiar with working with young people and their concerns. In our work together he has shown himself to be committed to working with diversity and equal opportunities practice. I cannot comment further in relation to the Children's Act as I have had no statutory or first hand experience of his work with young people.

In relation to Steve's work with me in individual supervision and the supervision group in terms of his clinical practice; he is a clear and thoughtful communicator, he uses counselling techniques such as active listening and reflection intelligently, he is able to perceive transference and countertransference material, he is both able to receive and give feedback appropriately and is empathic and professional in terms of for example time boundaries and agenda-keeping.

Steve has shown himself to be a reliable student, committed to his counselling studies and the counselling process and I am happy to recommend his suitability as a volunteer counsellor.

Yours sincerely,



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Cc Steve Goodfellow