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Jonathan

To see the chain of messages below. This had been slightly overlooked (although the deadline was little more than a progress chasing device).

I fear that there is little we can say to PS(PH) other than that we have an inherited situation in which we have two sets of lawyers in place who are doing their best to operate a difficult Trust Deed and that we are continually reinforcing the need for continued efficiency, both directly (by review meetings etc) and indirectly (via the Trust). The families, too, are not helping the situation by employing a variety of lawyers and engaging in their own 'political' differences - although we are careful to take full account of their awful position.

Our scope for action is somewhat limited as the Trust is independent and will, rightly, take its own decisions. What we are seeing in the legal costs is the price for that independence and the cost of implementing a complicated Trust Deed. We can:

- step up the pressure on CR to control the costs — *PS(PH) could ask to meet Chairman*
- suggest to the Trustees that we are unhappy with the costs
- take on a legal costs bloodhound (again) to maximise both the pressure and the audit trail
- ultimately, sack CR for being too expensive (??) - but we cannot sack IM. — *we can't sack either!*

*move mgmt
mtg with
CRs*

Grateful for advice on how best to advise PS(PH)

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Edward Goff
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*it's about time - he
met J. Reid [over a
year] ago.*

Brian

Please see Jacky's email below - can I help?

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Edward,

I do not appear to have received a response to PS(PH)'s request for further information. The deadline was midday last Thursday. Can you please let me know when PS(PH) can expect to receive this information.

Many thanks

Jacky Buchan
APS PS(PH)

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Edward,

Thank you for preparing the draft response to the above PQ on the legal and professional fees of the CJD Trust.

PS(PH) has signed off the response but wants to know please what we are doing about the costs of administration and what our options are.

Could you please let me have a short submission which addresses the above questions by midday on Thursday 26 January.

Many thanks

Jacky Buchan
APS PS(PH)