**M8-C. Case Study – Ray and Tina**

Ray is now nearing the end of his stay in the TC and a place has been reserved for him in the after-care unit where he will stay for at least 6 months. During his time in the TC, he and Tina have corresponded regularly and Tina visits whenever this is possible or allowed. It is clear that there is a strong bond between them and the staff team is happy to encourage their relationship which appears to be on a stronger footing than when Ray entered the TC.

Ray receives a letter from Tina which he brings to the Departments Co-ordinator (Staff). In the letter, Tina is trying to persuade Ray to move back into their apartment with her instead of going into the after-care unit. She argues that he has changed so much while he has been in the TC that he doesn’t really need the additional therapy that the after-care unit provides and she wants him back. It is clear from the letter that Tina has been arguing this case for some time both on her visits and in correspondence.

Ray feels under a lot of pressure because he recognises that he let Tina down badly when he was using and he feels a strong need to repay her for standing by him. The Departments Co-ordinator arranges a meeting between himself, Ray, Tina and Jim – an earlier graduate who was in the programme when Ray first arrived.

*Students should role-play this meeting. Genders can be reversed as appropriate although Ray and Tina should be male and female if possible.*