

Scotland's Redress Scheme

Application form **Part 2**

Additional statement pages

Name

Angela Davidson

Date of birth

Day 11 Month 11 Year 1980

Your statement for additional care settings

In Part 1, you will have already provided information about the care settings you were abused in. By providing this information here, your case worker can join together the name of the care setting with your statement of abuse.

Q1 | What is the name or location of the relevant care setting you were abused in?

(For example, the name of the care home, or the city or region where you lived in foster care or while boarded out).

Weedingshall Children's home Scotland Polmont, Falkirk

Do not worry if you are uncertain about dates or time. Please provide your best estimate.

Q2 | When were you abused?

For example: a single date, an age, or an approximate time or time range.

1993-1994

You do not have to provide names, if you cannot remember or do not feel comfortable doing so. If you do provide a name it will be passed to Police Scotland.

Q3 | Who was involved in your abuse?

For example: a member of staff, a peer or someone outside the care setting.

The information you provide will be used by Redress Scotland to make a decision about your application. Redress Scotland will use the "Assessment framework" to help them do this, available on [gov.scot](https://www.gov.scot). Please be aware that it contains graphic descriptions of abuse.

Q4 | On the next page, please provide as much information as you can about:

- the abuse you experienced while living in this care setting
- what life was like for you during this time
- how the people responsible for your care and welfare failed to carry out that duty (within or beyond your care setting)

You can continue on additional pages if you need to.

Part 2 of the application form provides more information about what you may want to include.

Your statement for additional care settings

This was the worst placement I experienced. Children and young people between the ages of approximately 11 and 18 lived there, and I witnessed many distressing and frightening incidents.

Staff frequently restrained me using physical force. They would hit me, pull my hair and handle me roughly. I found the behaviour of the staff cruel and intimidating. When male members of staff restrained or physically handled me, I experienced their actions as inappropriate and sexual in nature. On some occasions, my clothing was ripped during these incidents.

There was a complete lack of care, compassion and emotional support.

Food was delivered each day on trolleys after being prepared at another location. I found the food to be of very poor quality.

Staff regularly called me insulting names. This was degrading, humiliating and caused me significant distress.

On one occasion, I witnessed a boy slash his wrists and cut his neck. I saw this happen with my own eyes, and the experience was extremely traumatic.

Eventually, I and approximately nine other young people ran away because we could no longer cope with the conditions. The police searched for us using Alsatian police dogs. The dogs were set on us, and the police handled us roughly when we were caught. This type of response appeared to be normal whenever anyone attempted to run away.