

Scotland's Redress Scheme

Application form **Part 2**

Additional statement pages

Name

Alexander Mullen

Date of birth

Day 23

Month 12

Year 1968

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).

Nazareth House, Aberdeen

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.

1973 - 1976

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

When I was in the first children's home in Aberdeen, we were locked in the dormitories for long periods of time. I remember being made to sit in a chair throughout the entire night as a punishment. Staff would physically abuse us, beating us with carpet rollers and other objects. I also remember my brother being scalded whilst we were there. Witnessing what happened to him, alongside the abuse I was experiencing myself, made me feel even more frightened and helpless. If we misbehaved, they would force us to wear dresses and stand facing the wall. I found this deeply humiliating. The other children would laugh at me, leaving me feeling embarrassed and ashamed. Staff also frequently pulled my hair, which was painful and frightening. Mealtimes were another source of distress. We had to eat whatever we were given, regardless of whether we liked it. If we could not finish our food, we were made to remain sitting at the table until it was gone, sometimes for hours. We were not allowed to leave until we had finished. I lived in constant fear whilst I was there. My brothers and sisters were separated from me, and only three of us remained together in the Aberdeen home. My other siblings were taken to a children's home in Glasgow, and I did not see them again until we eventually left care. Being separated from my family was incredibly upsetting and made me feel isolated and alone.