

Scotland's Redress Scheme

Application form **Part 2**

Additional statement pages

Name

James Tanner

Date of birth

Day 06

Month 10

Year 1976

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).

Orkney Place Children's Home

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.

1983

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

I was moved from Weedingshall Care Home to another care setting. I do not know who made the decision for me to be moved, but my sister and brother were moved to the same setting with me.

When I arrived, I was placed in a shared bedroom with another child who was a complete stranger to me. Looking back now, I find this very upsetting and difficult to understand, particularly because I was so young and already dealing with so much change and loss.

The setting was arranged in a house-style environment, with a teenage wing and a separate area for children aged 12 and under. At the time, I was still trying to come to terms with my mother's death and with being separated from my older sister. I no longer had the family unit around me that I had known, and I was struggling emotionally with everything that had happened.

I remember desperately wanting to be close to my brother and sister. I believe the distress and insecurity I was experiencing contributed to me having problems with bedwetting. I was a young child dealing with grief, separation and an unfamiliar environment, but I do not remember receiving the emotional support or reassurance that I needed.

One memory that has stayed very clearly with me is being forced to eat foods such as semolina and prunes. I was not allowed to leave the table until I had eaten them, even when I did not want to or could not manage them. I became so desperate to leave the table that I had to find ways of hiding the food. This has remained a strong memory for me because it reflects how little control or comfort I felt I had at that time.

Looking back, I was a young child dealing with bereavement, separation from my family and repeated changes in where I was living. I needed understanding, comfort and emotional support. Instead, I remember feeling unsettled, distressed and expected to simply cope with the situation I had been placed in.