

Scotland's Redress Scheme

Application form **Part 2**

Additional statement pages

Name

Ian Forsyth

Date of birth

Day 30

Month 07

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).

Balnacraig School

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

Being placed here I had obtained a habit of smoking. Unfortunately this was a none smoking school. At night me and another boy would cheekily smoke out the window and we was caught by a nightwatchman. We pretended to be asleep and this nightwatchman come in to my room and shined this bright torch in my face shouting at me to wake up but I pretended to be asleep so he left.

The next morning I was brought to the Headteacher to which he graded me on a level 3 out of 5, he then changed his mind and put me on a Level 5 which is I can't move around this school without a staff member which I then again felt trapped as I'd come from a setting being able to smoke to then not being allowed.

As a form of punishment, the Headteacher no longer let me smoke and instead made me do fitness every morning running up to the castle and doing weights in the gym. I didn't like this at all and as a result of this I got myself purposely expelled so I could get away from this setting.

We wasn't even allowed to integrate with the girls in this school. I got close with a girl who's story and upbringing was similar to mine and so I felt like I could go to someone and let out my emotions on what I was feeling and when leaving her this one time I put my arm around her for a hug and a teacher was watching me and straight away jumped in saying " no you cant do that". This was just too controlling for me.

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