

# Statement Addendum

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**Client Name:** Colin Sanders  
**Date of Birth:** 11/03/1972  
**Care Setting:** Ferintosh  
**Dates:** 1985- till teenage years  
**Persons Involved:**

## Full Statement

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From an early stage in my life at home, I experienced sexual abuse and rejection from my parents. My parents denied every experience I reported or went through. This created a deep sense of confusion, abandonment, and lack of safety, and it remains something that has affected me throughout my entire life.

When I entered care, it was the worst and most distressing period of my life. I was already suffering significantly with PTSD and trauma connected to everything I had experienced previously, and being placed in this environment immediately triggered intense fear, distress, and instability.

My social key worker, Duncan Salloway, was abusive towards me. He was physically violent, emotionally manipulative, and used his position of trust and authority to control and harm me. He would assault me physically, including on one occasion stabbing me in the hand with a pencil. He would also slap me, kick me, and laugh at me, and at times falsely claim that I was harming myself. This created confusion, fear, and made it extremely difficult for me to be believed or protected.

Duncan Salloway also took me away from the care home to his own address, where I was further abused. He abused me repeatedly in both settings, and I was also abused by others associated with him. He would also come into the children's home, and I was not protected from him despite concerns being known or evident. I lived in constant fear and distress, and I felt completely unsafe and trapped in his care and control.

There were also other staff within the home who targeted me. Staff would enter my room and single me out. I was sexually abused within the care environment on a regular basis by staff members, which caused severe trauma, fear, and long-term psychological harm. I was left unprotected, and there was no effective intervention to stop what was happening to me. This resulted in a significant deterioration in my mental health.

I attempted to run away because I was terrified and unable to cope with the situation I was in. I was returned by the police, and after being returned I was punished. I was beaten severely by staff, at times to the point of bleeding, and physically assaulted in a way that left me in pain and unable to move properly afterwards.

During shower times, I was forcibly taken into cold showers and had my belongings taken away. I experienced repeated intimidation, coercion, and abuse. I lived in constant fear and felt I had no choice but

to comply in order to avoid further harm. I felt completely powerless and unsafe at all times.

I was frequently locked in my bedroom or confined as punishment. The windows had bars and there was no escape. I was also forced to wear pyjamas and boots to school, which caused humiliation and made me a target for bullying. This appeared to be used as a deliberate method of control and punishment.

When I was confined to my room, I was often denied basic needs, including access to the toilet, even when I begged. I was also regularly deprived of food and left hungry. When food was provided, it was often cold and inedible, and I had no choice but to accept it.

I suffered extremely poor mental health throughout this entire period. I lived in constant fear, distress, and emotional breakdown. These experiences continued until I was finally able to leave, but the impact has never left me.

Even now, I will never forget how I was bullied, manipulated, and systematically abused during this time of my life.

These experiences have had a profound and lifelong impact on every area of my life, including my mental health, emotional wellbeing, relationships, and ability to function day to day. The effects are permanent and ongoing. I have been diagnosed with PTSD and anxiety and have been medicated since around the age of 20. I continue to live with the lasting consequences of what I experienced.