

SUPPORT STATEMENT

SECTION A — SURVIVOR DETAILS *(office use only)*

Survivor Name: Elizabeth Baillie

Date of Birth: 02/03/1992

SECTION B — Supporting Person Details

Name: Samantha Dullaghan

Relationship to Survivor: Cousin

Length of Relationship: 32 years

Purpose of This Statement

I am providing this statement in support of the above survivors Redress Scotland application. I know them personally and wish to offer information about their experiences they shared with me, and the impact this has had on their life.

What the Survivor shared with me

I am the survivor's (Elizabeth's) cousin and have known her all my life.

When we were younger, she disclosed to me that she had been physically and emotionally abused while living in foster care by her foster carers. She also told me that she had been sexually abused by the son of one of her foster carers.

These disclosures were made to me many years ago and are not something she has only recently spoken about. Over the years she has referred to these experiences on a number of occasions, and her account has remained consistent. Whenever the subject has arisen, she has spoken about the abuse she suffered whilst in care and the lasting effect it has had on her.

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Impact to the Survivor that I have observed

From my own observations, these experiences have had a significant impact on her throughout her life. I have seen when we have discussed Elizabeth's time in foster care this can cause her considerable distress and upset. There have been occasions when she has become emotional when talking about what happened to her. I have observed that the experiences she described have continued to affect her wellbeing, confidence and relationships with others. The abuse she disclosed to me has clearly remained with her over the years and has had a lasting impact on her life. I believe that what she shared with me was genuine and deeply distressing for her, and I am providing this statement in support of her application.

Supporting Statement confirmation

I offer this statement to support the above survivor's application. Everything I have written reflects what they have shared with me and what I have personally observed during the time I have known them.

Name: Samantha Dullaghan

Date: 19/06/2026