

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

SECTION A — SURVIVOR DETAILS

Survivor Name: Fergus Marshall

Date of Birth: 26/07/1960

Care Setting (s): Harestane (Burnside) Dundee, Balgowan School Dundee

SECTION B — Supporting Person Details

Name: EVELYN MARSHALL

Relationship to Survivor: WIFE

Length of Relationship: 27 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 have shared with me, and the impact this has had on their life.

How I know the Survivor

I AM HIS WIFE

What the Survivor shared with me

I MET MY HUSBAND FERGY AT THE AGE OF 36 HE WAS 37. I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH AT THAT

STAGE IN MY LIFE, BUT I DID KNOW AS I RELATIONSHIP WENT ON, THAT FERG HAD PROBLEMS. HE EVENTUALLY STARTED TELLING ME ABOUT HIS UPBRINGING AND EARLY YEARS OF HIS LIFE, HE WAS A HARD WORKING MAN AND WAS VERY FAMILY FOCUSED. AT THE AGE OF 42 HE TOOK AN ILLNESS CALLED FIBROMYALIA AND THE WAY THAT THE PSYCHIATRIST DESCRIBED IT WAS HE WAS FEELING WEAK AND IT JUST ALL CAME FORWARD ON HIM. HE TOLD ME ALL ABOUT HIS ABUSE FROM FAMILY AND THE HOMES, IN HIS PREVIOUS YEARS HE WAS IN STRATHEDEN HOSPITAL, LIFF HOSPITAL AND WITH ME CARSDIEW. HIS ABUSE WAS HORRIFIC AT THE HOMES, FROM OLDER BOYS ABUSING HIM. **Impact I have observed** AND A TEACHER. HE HAD NO ONE TO TURN TO HE HAD THREE BAD BREAK DOWNS WHEN WE LIVED IN THE COUNTRY, ^{CUTTING HIMSELF} OVERDOSES AND WE MOVED INTO TOWN CARNOUSTIE WHERE WE STILL LIVE NOW. EVENTUALLY THE PSYCHIATRIST REALISED HE HAD PTSD AND SEVERE MENTAL HEALTH, HE WAS PUT ON SEVERAL DIFFERENT MEDS TO HELP AND FINALLY GOT MEDS THAT HELPED HIM. AS A FAMILY WE HAVE GONE THROUGH THIS WITH HIM, IT'S BEEN VERY HARD, BUT WE LOVE HIM. HE NOW HAS RESPIRATORY LUNG DAMAGE HE STILL FEELS PUNISHED BECAUSE HE GOT THIS. HES ON A VENTILATION MACHINE AND HE STILL HAS TROUBLE SLEEPING, BUT WE JUST GET ON WITH IT, HE HAS SUFFERED

2/ FROM NIGHTMARES, HE STILL GETS THEM TO DO WITH ABUSE, SOMETIMES HE WOULD WAKE-UP SWEATING AND CRYING FEELING THEY WERE REAL. FOR A WHILE HE GOT VERY RECLUSIVE, WOULDN'T GO OUT THINKING PEOPLE WOULD LOOK AT HIM AND KNOW, SINCE CONTACTING YOU, IT HAS AFFECTED HIM SLEEPING, WERE HAD TO GET SLEEPING MEDICATION TO HELP AGAIN, HE'S DOING BETTER BUT WATCHING A MOVIE OR SOMETHING CONNECTED TO HIS ABUSE UPSETS HIM AGAIN, SMELLS AND EVEN ME AS A WIFE COULDN'T CUDDLE INTO HIM, HE DIDN'T LIKE MY BREATH ON HIS BACK, OBVIOUSLY FROM HIS SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVIOUS. HE HAS TOLD ME EVERYTHING FROM MOTHER SEXUALLY ASSAULTING HIM, FATHER PHYSICAL ABUSE, AND AN UNCLE WHO SEXUALLY ASSAULTED HIM, AND OBVIOUSLY THE HOMES. ABUSE ALL AROUND HIM. THATS WHY EVENTUALLY HE JUST DECIDED NOW HE'S A BIT STRONGER TO CONTACT YOU AND TO TRY AND GET



3/ some sort of compensation, He went there as an orphan boy abused by his parents for care and protection, and was abused severely by older boys and a PE teacher, its horrific. Hence his sleep nightmares or not sleeping, he was running and hiding at night from the older abusing boys, beating him and sexually assaulting him, he was caught up at night by teacher and punished for that, trying to tell them what was happening to him. He won the Jack Memorial Award ^{Merit} for behaviour through all this, and the teacher PE teacher picked on the quiet weaker boys and sexually abused Percy when no one was there. This has impacted on all our lives and it will never leave Percy but as you say he is a survivor, I can't put everything down on paper as it would be too much but I hope I have given you enough information to help you with this case

Jess Sincov
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Closing Statement

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

Name: Lorelyn Marshall

Date: 02-02-2026

