

FBGA; Full Press Statement 7th December 2021

The Former Boys and Girls Abused in Quarriers Homes (FBGA) group, respects and fully supports Quarriers Board's decision, given Quarriers is unable to participate in the Redress Scotland Scheme due to the severe impact this financially would have on its sustainability, services now and going forward including its ability to provide vital care to the 5,000 vulnerable people that it currently supports.

It is in no one's interest least of all any Former Boys and Girls Abused in Quarriers Homes that Quarriers becomes unsustainable and cannot continue to deliver the quality services to the vulnerable service users that it does today and going forward to its former residents accessing the aftercare service.

FBGA's campaign over many years for Support Services, Justice, a Judicial Inquiry and Redress for survivors who we represent has been achieved.

It is important to note, that Quarriers decision will not affect whatsoever the Redress Scotland award payment level at all that any Quarriers survivors will receive through the Redress Scotland Scheme as the Scottish Government will pay this Redress Payment in full. .

Quarriers Board have committed 100,000 pounds per annum over 10 years to its aftercare service which we more than welcome. As it demonstrates Quarriers long term commitment and Corporate responsibility to support directly all its former residents in particular those who had negative experiences and were abused in the past institution by enhancing the after care service.

Survivors and other former residents of Quarriers will be consulted to help design and improve the aftercare service going forward.

FBGA believe that the time has come for Quarriers Charity to focus fully on directly supported services for its former residents via the enhanced aftercare service and help achieve Reconciliation with the Quarriers Charity while acknowledging its recent past.

David Whelan (Spokesperson FBGA)

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Quarriers by its decision is upholding the RIGHTS of its survivors to take civil action against the organisation and the State if that is what they wish today.

When Survivors were asked in 2017 did they want contributions from institutions in a consultation there was no indication nor did the Scottish Government say that we would have to sign a Waiver giving away our Rights