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Dear Ms Webber,

### **Scotland's Redress Scheme and Redress Scotland**

Redress Scotland is one part of Scotland's Redress Scheme. As an independent body, we make decisions about applications for redress from survivors of historic child abuse in care.

Our work began in earnest in December 2021 when the scheme opened for applications from survivors and their next of kin. As part of our commitment to transparency and robust data collection and analysis, I am pleased to attach an initial report which outlines the work of Redress Scotland in its first six months of operations (Redress Scotland Progress Report).

From 9 December 2021 to 30 June 2022, Redress Scotland received 128 applications for redress. In total, 119 decisions have been made on applications since the scheme began, of which 82 were to award and 4 to deny redress. On average, decisions on redress applications were reached in just under 20 days.

In addition, we have compiled a summary of application figures and determinations, made by our expert panels, from when the scheme opened to the end of October 2022. I attach these for your information (Redress Scotland Facts & Figures).

These figures will be regularly updated and shared with the Committee, our partners within the Scottish government, and will also be made available on our website. They will also form part of our annual report, which we will be pleased to share with you in due course.

Redress Scotland remains committed to sharing information with survivors and other stakeholders about our work. We have recently published our Corporate Plan and the above mentioned progress report which reflects the work we have undertaken during our first 6 months. We will shortly begin sharing applications data on our website. This will be updated regularly and offer the most recent snapshot of our work and that of our panels.

Redress Scotland is committed to supporting survivors, and working with campaigners and groups that support them, to acknowledge each individual's experience and help people with compassion and respect as they continue their journey to healing. We will continue to do so, ensuring that our values of dignity, respect and compassion underpin how we work, what we do and why we are here.



Further information on Scotland's Redress Scheme can be found at: [www.mygov.scot/redress](http://www.mygov.scot/redress).

Yours Sincerely,

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