



## **Press Release:** ***'How Should Jersey Address the Past Abuse Crisis?'***

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“The Survivors Trust membership includes support services set up following investigations in Merseyside, Lancashire, North Wales and Manchester. The Survivors Trust recognizes the unique factor in being abused by someone who is paid to take care of you and the impact this can have throughout someone’s life. We know the urgent need for support services so that people who have been affected by abuse can move forward with their lives with dignity, and can be supported through the process of giving evidence and seeking redress. The authorities need to move swiftly to ensure that appropriate services are established alongside the investigation. Many people may have felt that all the cases of institutional abuse had been uncovered. The reality is that we can never rest on our laurels when providing care for children and the only way we will learn how to build successful children’s homes and places where children can be looked after is by listening to those who have experienced children’s homes at their worst.”

Fay Maxted, Chief Executive, The Survivors Trust.

The Survivors Trust is an umbrella agency for rape and childhood sexual abuse crisis and support services in the UK and Ireland representing 130 member agencies.

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