

**Name Redacted** During treatment from **Name Redacted** he discussed anal rape by the person who caned him. You will hear about treatment he received.

12. The first video interview **RC-A622** described attending the St Benedict's school from Junior to Senior. It was when **RC-A622** was at the Middle and at the beginning of the Upper school when he was about 12/13 that Father Soper started to order him to his office to be punished for what **RC-A622** describes as 'false reasons', for example, if he kicked the football in the wrong direction. Father Soper was House Master and also taught him maths and possibly other lessons.
13. Father Soper would cane him in one of two ways – sometimes, whilst across the desk he would hit **RC-A622** straight across the bottom with the cane; at other times Andrew Soper would use it in such a way that it went towards the front of **RC-A622** in the area of his genitalia. On these occasions, Andrew Soper would make **RC-A622** **RC-A622** take his trousers off to make sure that his genitals hadn't been injured. Once he was naked from the waist down Father Soper would fondle/cup and stroke his penis and testicles.
14. Sadly, home life was not easy for **RC-A622** as **Sensitive/Irrelevant** **Irrelevant** **RC-A622** recalls returning to school after the Christmas holidays, the caning carried on usually at the 11 am break or after lunch but around the first or second week in **DPA** the abuse escalated. He was caned over the desk but then after his trousers and pants were down Father Laurence would lift his robes up, **RC-A622** believes he would be naked underneath and would push his penis into **RC-A622**'s anus; he explained how sometimes Father Laurence would ejaculate inside his anus and sometimes he would take his penis out and ejaculate over **RC-A622** Father Soper always kept a box of tissues. **RC-A622** remembers the date the first time this happened because it was just before his birthday which is on the **DPA** **RC-A622** described how from this point on the abuse continued and varied, in that sometimes Father Soper would bugger him (often **RC-A622** would have to run to the cloakroom to use the toilet paper to wipe up the bleeding), sometimes he would fondle him (explained this meant cup his testicles), sometimes Father Soper would make **RC-A622** sit while he, Father Soper, masturbated in front of him, on occasions he did this whilst standing behind **RC-A622** and he would ejaculate over **RC-A622**'s backside and sometimes he would try and masturbate **RC-A622** He described how he could tell that Father Soper was getting sexually excited as he would talk faster and would become jittery.
15. Father Soper would tell **RC-A622** that he had to keep what was happening a secret and that if he found out that he had mentioned it he would be severely punished and his parents written to and possibly expelled. **RC-A622** was confused because he had done

nothing wrong; he describes how he felt scared and threatened but Father Soper told him that lessons had to be learnt and that this was personal one to one tuition. He described how often Father Soper would call him useless and tell him he wasn't worthy of being at the school and that this was his punishment. This confused [RC-A622] because he felt at this time he was doing quite well at school. The abuse always took place in his office and went on for the best part of 18 months and into the second year but then both the caning and abuse petered out. He believes this was because he had now moved up a year and he had a different House Master.

16. [RC-A622] explained that all the abuse happened in Father Soper's office, with the exception of one incident, which occurred during a school cycling holiday to [DPA] when he was about 14 or 15 years old. The boys stayed in a Youth Hostel and Father Soper as the responsible adult would from time to time check on the boys in the night. [RC-A622] remembers having the top bed of children's bunk-beds, and waking up one night, to find his covers untucked and Father Soper fondling his genitals through the fly opening of his pyjamas. Father Soper then put [RC-A622]'s penis into his mouth. The defendant also tried to kiss [RC-A622] [RC-A622] described how confused he felt at waking to find Andrew Soper doing these things to him. He remembers that Father Soper whispered to him, threatening him to ensure his silence.
17. [RC-A622] began to misbehave. He didn't want to go to school and began to truant. [RC-A622] describes how he lied to the school saying that his father had retired and therefore couldn't continue with the school fees, such was his desperation to leave the school and get away from Father Soper. [RC-A622] left St Benedict's School when he was aged about 15. [RC-A622] started to suffer with psychiatric problems; exacerbated perhaps by the fact that he had started to drink heavily to block out his unpleasant feelings. [RC-A622] had huge feelings of anger and hatred and he started to get into fights. In his own words [RC-A622] began to "self-destruct" and was "acting an idiot". He was unable to hold down a job and a pattern of behaviour began that was to last for years – drink, violence, medical and mental health problems. As you will hear in his video interview, [RC-A622] reflects, "It's just so difficult I see him all the time, I just can't get him out of my mind and everything that the people are trying their best to help it, it just, it turns into him all the time. You see him, you see his face and you just see him laughing at you and basically he's wrecked my life". He goes on to explain how he is unable to maintain relationships.
18. [RC-A622] explained that several times when Father Soper penetrated him it was very painful and he had bleed. He said that he never told anyone about this because he would have been in too much trouble and if he had he was sure his father would beat