

Inquiry Research Seminar: Social and Political Narratives About Child Sexual Abuse

Monday 26th February 2018 1pm - 4.40pm

This half-day seminar will focus on the ways in which narratives about child sexual abuse - in other words how it is understood and spoken about - influence the responses of institutions and professionals to it. The information and views we receive will help the Inquiry to identify areas for further investigation and scrutiny.

The seminar is being streamed on the Inquiry website (www.iicsa.org.uk/live) but we are offering some key information and tips for anyone thinking of attending the seminar in person.

The seminar is being held at the Inquiry's hearing centre at 18 Pocock Street, London SE1 0BW.

Tips for your visit:

- Members of the public can observe the seminar from a public gallery. The seminar
 participants will sit at desks in a horseshoe format to ensure that those in the gallery
 can enjoy a good view of the discussion.
- We encourage you not to leave your arrival to the last moment. This will allow you to pass through security and to take your seat without hurry.
- We ask everyone to treat all speakers with respect, allowing them to speak without interruption. Members of the public gallery are asked to remain quiet until comments are invited by the facilitator and please keep any comments to the topic being discussed.
- The use of telephones, video cameras or photography is not permitted in the main seminar room. If you are sitting in the main seminar room, please ensure that your mobile telephone is switched off.
- If you wish to use your telephone, for example to make calls or to use social media, then you may do so in the annex room, where you can also watch the seminar being video streamed.



- Support services are available on both days of the seminar for those participating in the seminar discussions, and for those in the public gallery. Counsellors will be identified at the start of each session to ensure that people can easily ask for help.
- No refreshments are allowed in the main seminar room.
- Lunch is not available at the seminar venue but several food outlets are available within a short distance from the building.
- The Inquiry is not able to offer any reimbursement to members of the public for the costs of attending the seminar.