

PRESS NOTICE

Monday 9 October - for immediate release

The Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse is holding public hearings into allegations about the sexual abuse and exploitation of children at Cambridge House Boys' Hostel and Knowl View School in Rochdale.

The public hearings will take place at 10.30 am between 9 and 27 October (10.00 am on the first day and with a non-sitting day on 26 October) at the Inquiry's new hearing centre - 18 Pocock Street, London, SE1 0BW.

The Inquiry will hear evidence from a number of institutions, including local government departments and public authorities in the Rochdale area, as on whether they took sufficient care to protect children in their care from sexual abuse.

Former MP Cyril Smith, has been named as one of the alleged abusers and this hearing will examine these allegations.

All the evidence, including transcripts and videos from these hearings will be available on our website: www.iicsa.org.uk

Ends

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The public hearings are examining institutional failures by organisations in England and Wales. Further investigations may be announced as the Inquiry progresses.