

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
CASE STUDY APPLICATION**

1. On 3 June 2016 the Inquiry invited anyone who wished to be designated as a core participant in the Accountability and Reparations investigation to make an application to the Solicitor to the Inquiry by 1 July 2016.
2. An application was made by Stanhope Castle Survivor Group (“SCSG”) for Stanhope Castle Approved School to be designated as a case study for this investigation, for core participant status to be granted as the survivor group and for the individual members of that group to also be designated in the Accountability and Reparations investigation. On 20 July 2016 the former Chair and Panel provisionally declined the application for Stanhope Castle Approved School to be designated as a case study for this investigation. On that same date, the former Chair also declined the application for core participant status to be granted as the survivor group and for the individual members of that group.
3. Oral submissions to renew the application were made at the preliminary hearing for this investigation on 29 July 2016. The former Chair and Panel, of which I was one, heard those submissions. Since my appointment as Chair I have considered the renewed application and submissions made in support of it. I have consulted with my fellow Panel members and this notice sets out the determination of that application made by SCSG. Separate notices set out my determinations in relation to applications for core participant status for SCSG and the individual survivors.
4. SCSG submit that despite the exceptional nature of child sexual abuse at the institution, the survivors have not managed to attain any form of accountability or reparation and for this reason they would be an important case study.
5. In making our decision we have carefully and fully considered the application, the renewal submissions, as well as previous correspondence submitted on behalf of

SCSG. It is submitted by SCSG that the other case studies in the Accountability and Reparations investigation are different, in that their focus is the adequacy of reparation that has been obtained. Having considered the matter further, we are satisfied that it is appropriate for us to accede to the application to add this additional case study to this investigation, to bring this different dimension to the investigation which we consider will add to the breadth of our understanding. A revised description of scope document, which adds reference to Stanhope Castle Approved School as a case study, will be prepared and published shortly.

6. In adding Stanhope Castle Approved School as a case study in this investigation, we remind core participants of the terms of paragraph 5 of the case studies description of scope. This states that the investigation will not examine or resolve disputed factual issues relating to the underlying allegations of child sexual abuse.

Professor Alexis Jay OBE
Chair, Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse

19 August 2016