

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION  
DE-DESIGNATION OF CORE PARTICIPANT STATUS**

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. An application was made by Jane Kershaw, who waived her anonymity, for core participant status in the Accountability and Reparations investigation. Her application was granted on 19 August 2016.
2. On 7 February, Mr Kershaw wrote to the Inquiry on behalf of himself and Mrs Kershaw, seeking no longer to be core participants in the Accountability and Reparations investigation for personal reasons. This notice sets out my determination of her application.
3. Rule 5(3) of the Inquiry Rules 2006 provides as follows:
  - (3) *A person ceases to be a core participant on –*
    - a. *the date specified by the chairman in writing; or*
    - b. *the end of the inquiry.*
4. As Mrs Kershaw has indicated that she no longer wishes to be designated as a core participant in the Accountability and Reparations investigation, I have decided that she should cease to have that role.
5. Mr Desmond Doherty of Desmond J Doherty and Co was designated as Jane Kershaw's legal representative in accordance with Rule 6(1). As a result of this notice, Mr Doherty is de-designated as Mrs Kershaw's legal representative in the Accountability and Reparations investigation.
6. I would like to thank Mrs Kershaw for the assistance which she has provided to the Inquiry to date. It remains open to her to re-apply for core participant status at any

stage should her circumstances change. Any future application will be considered on its merits.

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

**23 February 2017**