Email of 13 May 2015

After reading all the charity submissions I have the following to say. There are various charities that have put the main focus into individual victims rather than the establishment being involved in turning a blind eye. This is my main concern when we see examples of officials not acting and the system not acting. In my view it is not acceptable to put too much burden on the victim simply because they will be less inclined to make the first brave step.

It is understandable that children struggle to speak out but in my experience anyone that suffers this traumatic experience finds this difficult and in extreme cases the individual is unable talk about it for the rest of their life. Shifting attention to the victim and not the establishment is not right in my opinion.

It was eye opening for me when i came across the legislation already in place for Scottish law regarding the non-reporting of abuse, but this sadly was not currently being used. Mandatory reporting can be a success if implemented correctly, in saying that i would like to propose psychometric testing in order to find the right people to look after vulnerable children. By implementing this we can phase out the rotten apples that are causing the problems in the care system. I have come across far too many so called professionals that have either turned a blind eye or been part of the abuse taking place.

For any predator and opportunist that wants to commit these sickening crimes we are finding a dangerous pattern of people who are drawn into jobs that can give them access to vulnerable people. Especially with the case of down syndrome children where in many cases the child’s basic functions are impaired so the predator will always see this as an opportunity.

That can and will be an event of the past if psychometric testing is implied. This system will be able to spot these evil people at a early stage and deal with them. Further to this there can also be a tracking system installed where potential offenses can or have taken place. Designated hotspots with surveillance in order to get justice for the victim. We can’t and shouldn’t put a price on this because children’s safety and wellbeing has to be a priority in order for our country to have a bright future. If we can’t keep our children safe, happy and well then what do we have in order for future generations to be vibrant?
Email of 18 May 2015

**Child Protection Covenant**

Child sexual abuse, Satanist ritual abuse, grooming of children for sex, and other forms of sexual violence against children have no place in a peaceful, civilised society governed by the rule of law. I pledge to take the following action to protect the innocent from the predations of those who would cruelly abuse them:

1. Accept no excuses, obfuscation or delay from any public servant or state official who has a duty to protect children and is failing to fulfil that responsibility.

2. Demand a full explanation of any case where a state official or public servant appears to have failed in his or her duty to protect children from abuse or failed to investigate and prosecute the perpetrators of such abuse.

3. Call publicly for the resignation of the responsible state officials and public servants in cases where no adequate reasons are given for a failure to investigate and prosecute abuse.

I take this action in light of the universal disgust felt by all right-thinking members of our society at the official concealment of these most heinous crimes. This cover-up has gone on for decades and continues today. I have therefore decided to take a public stand and to make it MY business to drive out this evil from our justice system, wherever it is found. I cannot do this alone and call upon others to make this same pledge, to be watchful for official misconduct and metaphorically to hear the cries of those innocents who never drew breath, those who had the breath of life but never knew love, and those who struggle to find hope in a world disfigured by their youthful suffering.