

## **The Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse**

The Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse was set up in 2015 to gather evidence on the extent to which State and non-State institutions in England and Wales have failed in their duty of care to protect children from sexual abuse and exploitation.

The opening of the Wales office in October marks a significant development in the progress of the Inquiry. This will help ensure this Inquiry will reach all victims and survivors of child sexual abuse.

The three projects, Public Hearings, Research and Truth, will all crucially contribute to our recommendations to better protect children in future and will also play a vital role in providing accountability for the failings of the past. Together the information, experiences and evidence received will inform the overall conclusions and recommendations of the Chair and Panel.

The Truth Project is that part of the Inquiry that gives a voice to victims and survivors, and importantly, enables them to contribute to the work of the Inquiry. They have an unqualified right to be heard, as well as the right to share their experience in a safe, secure and confidential environment. This is not the same as giving evidence at a hearing, it's simply telling us about what happened to you, to help inform our work.

We would like everyone to support us in our work and help us achieve our aim to make children safer. For more information and details go to: [www.iicsa.org.uk](http://www.iicsa.org.uk)

For more information about the Truth Project and to participate go to:  
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