

In June 2018 an independent scrutiny team reported on the Past Case Review (PCR) of 2007 and recommended a fresh review of files held by the 42 dioceses and 2 provinces of the Church of England.

Subsequently the PCR2 project was commissioned and independent reviewers were tasked with examining all relevant files held by the Northern Province/Archbishop of York. The summary and recommendations of the PCR2 report are published today.

Archbishop Stephen Cottrell said, “The Church of England recognises that its approach to safeguarding needs to be regularly scrutinised as it continues to learn how to respond well to those who have been abused and to make the Church a safer place for all. I welcome the work undertaken as part of the Past Case Review 2 project and was pleased to participate in this. I would like to thank the independent reviewers for their diligence.”

“I have read the report and welcome the eleven recommendations which are being addressed both at a national level and some by those working in local partnerships.”

“I would like to encourage any individual who needs support to reach out for help, whether from the [Safe Spaces project](#), an independent support service or from other organisations.”

Read the Northern Provincial Executive Report following the Past Cases Review 2 Project here:

- [Northern Provincial Executive Report](#) (179.7 KB)

Read the Church of England Past Cases Review 2 Project Final Report [here](#)

Raising safeguarding concerns:

Anyone who would like to give information or make disclosures about church-related abuse is asked to email their Diocesan Safeguarding Team via - [Diocesan safeguarding contacts | The Church of England](#)

Support:

If you have been affected, however long ago, Safe Spaces which is run by the charity Victim Support, can provide you with support. You do not have to have told the police or the church authorities, and you do not have to still be involved with the church. Your information will not be shared without your consent unless you or someone else is in immediate danger. Visit their website - [Safe Spaces England and Wales](#) or telephone 0300 303 1056

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