



Lotus Place recently received the following letter from Phillip Reed the CEO of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

If any of the information below is relevant to you please get in contact with the Royal Commission as soon as possible. As always, if you would like support or assistance please contact your local Lotus Place office. Contact details have been included over the page

## A letter from the CEO of the Royal Commission

I write to you ask for your assistance to convey important information to survivors who attended a private session with the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

We will also write to you shortly to provide information about the cut off dates for written accounts, Message to Australia and for providing information via telephone to the Royal Commission.

Arranging the return of items provided during a private session

The Royal Commission has received a number of items from people who have attended private sessions. These include written documents, school yearbooks, photos, artwork, keepsakes, works of fiction or non-fiction, DVDs and CDs.

If someone you know or represent has given us any items, please ask them to contact us on **1800 099 340** or at [contact@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au](mailto:contact@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au) to arrange for their return. If we are not contacted by **29 September 2017**, we will assume that the items are no longer required.

Before the Royal Commission finishes on 15 December 2017, we will scan any suitable unclaimed items to create electronic records to include in the Royal Commission's historical archive. Electronic records have the same legal status as originals. We will then securely dispose of the originals along with any other items unable to be scanned.

### Arranging access to private session audio recordings

The Royal Commission has offered survivors and their legal representatives, access to the audio recording of their private session. When the Royal Commission concludes, this access may no longer be available.

If someone you know or represent requires access to their audio recording, please advise them to email the Royal Commission at [contact@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au](mailto:contact@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au) before **29 September 2017**.

As you will be aware, it is important that survivors have the opportunity to access their private session records. I thank you for your support in this matter.

If you would like any further information on any of the above items, please phone us on **1800 099 340** or email at [contact@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au](mailto:contact@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,

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