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Exclusive: Jailed pervert back living in village where he abused kids, MONSTER RETURNS

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A ONE-LEGGED paedophile has returned to the scene of his crimes after being freed early from jail.

Sandy Wilson is back in his home in Quarrier's Village where he lived before being jailed for abusing eight girls.

Yesterday the charity that still runs projects for disabled and homeless children in the area said they were dismayed by the decision to allow his return.

The former Quarrier's houseparent, 66, was sentenced to seven-and-a-half years in 2004.

Wilson - who lost a leg through heavy smoking - now lives in sight of where the horrific abuse took place over a 19-year period.

At his home, formerly used by Quarrier's staff in the Renfrewshire village, Wilson refused to speak about his crimes.

One victim, a 52-year-old mum who still receives counselling, said: "I'm shocked he's back. I feel sick to my stomach.

"He'll be able to look out of his window and reminisce about abusing us. Why has such an evil monster been allowed out of jail early? "He may look like a frail old man but Wilson is a calculating predator now living among unsuspecting families.

"The court promised we would be kept informed of his whereabouts when he was released but they have failed to do even that.

"I've lived my whole life in fear of this monster and the only slight respite I had was when he was behind bars."

MSP Paul Martin, a campaigner for child abuse victims, said: "Wilson is a grotesque individual who committed a sickening catalogue of despicable crimes against a large number of children.

"I'm incensed that he has been allowed to return to the scene of those crimes and by the lack of information to his victims."

Wilson is brother-in-law of Quarrier's "Beast in the Belltower" John Porteous, 75, also jailed for sexually abusing two little boys.

Campaigner David Whelan, who was a victim of Porteous, said: "Quarrier's should buy back the house and move Wilson on.

"They should take steps to ensure all the families who live in the vicinity know exactly what he is and where he is."

Quarrier's said: "We expressed serious concerns to all the relevant authorities about Wilson returning to live in the property.

"Much to our dismay, our reservations had no bearing on the final decision.

"Quarrier's operate two projects in the village, providing care for children with complex disabilities.

"Due to the nature of these disabilities, these children are accompanied at all times by a qualified member of staff when they leave these projects."

Wilson's wife Jan had been like a mother to his victims. After she died in 1995, one plucked up the courage to go to the police.

Quarrier's Village was created by Christian William Quarrier in the 1800s for orphaned and abandoned children.

Millions of pounds in donations let the charity give homes - headed by house-parents like Wilson - to vulnerable kids. He bought his property for £16,300 in 1987.

The Scottish Government said: "We can't comment on individual cases and it is for the police to determine the arrangements for the management of registered sex offenders in their area."

Strathclyde Police said: "Measures can be put in place to manage offenders in the community. These are monitored by dedicated officers and officials from partner organisations."