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These malicious, slanderous, false allegations and false claims were made against Two FBGA founding members; including the FBGA subgroup representative all the while the subgroup was in progress. This was when FBGA and its representatives were trying to engage in constructive dialogue with the Scottish Government and others to help resolve issues.

This was in our view, malicious, deliberate and a premeditated attempt to discredit and undermine the personal integrity and honesty of the two FBGA founding members and the FBGA group as a whole and have others question our honesty and integrity too.

FBGA believe it is important to address and highlight these serious matters at this time to uphold our honesty, integrity and that of the FBGA group including its founders who represent the True Victims survivors of Quarriers Homes.

For too long FBGA and its founders have been overly passive when it comes to confronting, raising issues and challenging so called other "Survivors" engaged in the same tactics as the abusers and their supporters.

The question has to be asked if such "Survivors" are prepared to make false allegations against innocent True Victim-survivors and prepared to LIE! Who else would they falsely accuse?

Can we take it for granted that such individuals are telling the <u>TRUTH</u> when it comes to their own personal accounts and testimonies of historical in-care abuse.

What are the motives of such individuals who are making such false allegations against FBGA and its representatives?

Is it to try and stop FBGA and its representatives from challenging, highlighting and raising legitimate issues concerning so called "Survivors" abuse accounts and testimonies publically and any other controversial issues that may affect such individuals who have not been through the Court process?

Including FBGA raising the possibility that false allegations and claims by individuals who have not been through a proper accountable process to-date. May have been made in Scotland and that the scrutiny of all abuse claims is essential to ensure they are actually accurate, credible and truthful.

FBGA and its founders will simply not allow nor permit some so called "Survivors" to demean, discredit or falsely claim FBGA and its founders are dishonest, liars. FBGA and its founders will challenge, confront and expose such individuals publically to defend our honesty and integrity. Just as we did the abusers and their supporters who made similar false allegations and claims that we had lied in Courts of Law.

FBGA and its founders recognise fully that many of those former institutional residents alleging abuse have not had <u>True Justice to-date</u> for a number of reasons. Including individuals from such institutions as Barnardos, Quarriers Homes, Smylum Park, Kerelaw, Larchgrove, Blairs College, Nazareth House, St Ninian's, run by the De La Salle Brothers and many more past in-care institutions in Scotland.

FBGA and its founders are calling for a proper fully transparent, accountable process which True Victim-survivors and the general public have confidence in with regards "Acknowledgement and Accountability" or any other process set-up in the future.

The emails relating to this matter have been redacted for legal, privacy and confidentiality reasons.