

Joint Press Release

The Diocese of Cork and Ross and Lámh Healing Foundation wish to make the following clarifications to the recently published review of safeguarding practice in the Diocese of Cork and Ross undertaken by the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church (NBSCCI)

Lámh Healing Foundation is not part of this policy review of safeguarding in the Diocese of Cork and Ross. It was not involved in any way in the policy or of its review audit process.

Lámh Healing Foundation is not in receipt of sponsorship from religious orders. This is not now or never has been the case.

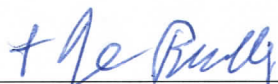
The Diocese hereby expresses its regrets that these incorrect statements by its officials have caused hurt for Lámh Healing Foundation, its members and those who avail of its services.

The Diocese expresses its willingness to have involvement with personnel from Lámh Healing Foundation in the promotion of methods of healing from sexual abuse.

Lámh Healing Foundation is willing to have discussions with the Diocese and with every other interested/co-operative diocese with regard to healing from sexual abuse.

If you are affected by clerical sexual abuse, support can be accessed by phoning any of the following.

Lámh Healing Foundation:	083 422 7544
Child Safeguarding Service, Cork and Ross Diocese:	021-430 1717



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