



Holy Trinity Abbey
New Norcia

18 August 2023

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Dear Dr Honey

Herewith requested information in your letter of 14 August 2023.

1. How many claims have been made through:
 - a. the National Redress Scheme? 257. 117 of these had been through the previous Towards Healing (TH) process (see below) alleging physical and emotional abuse, the majority adding sexual abuse to their National Redress Scheme (NRS) claim.
 - b. civil litigation both, before and after the introduction of the 2018 Act? 60
 - c. any other allegations dealt with outside a) and b)? 299 claims in Towards Healing (TH) between 2003-2019. 72 of these claims included allegations of sexual abuse.
2. Of those claims or allegations, how many (for each category) have resulted in financial payments to the claimant?
NRS: 179 (22 have either withdrawn, declined the offer, or we were determined as non-liable)
Civil Litigation: All
TH: All
3. What was the average payment for each category?
NRS: \$61,751
Civil Litigation: \$92,008
TH: \$10,00 N.B. these were ex-gratia (not compensation) payments, as a way of responding to immediate particular needs expressed during the facilitated meeting.
4. How many claims are still to be finalised in each category?
NRS: 36
Civil Litigation: 9
TH: Nil

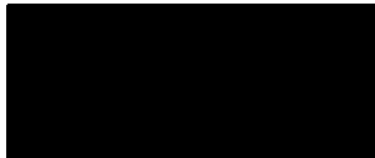


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5. How many individuals in your organisation have had allegations of child sexual abuse made against them? 22

6. How long did it take on average to finalise the claims in each category?
NRS: 6-12 months
Civil Litigation: 12-24 months
TH: 3-6 months

Regards,



Fr John Herbert OSB
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