





# A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM MAGGIE

Dear friends and supporters,

As we travel through another winter, I wanted to begin by thanking you. Your belief in the work of The Maggie Oliver Foundation, the Emotional support and Advocacy services we provide, and our fierce determination to turn ‘pain into power’ is what keeps us going through the toughest of times. It sustains us and it gives us the will to carry on fighting!!

The past few months have been some of the most intense and pivotal that I can remember. Alongside our ‘day job’ of supporting survivors day in, day out, I have also been deeply involved with numerous national media contacts helping to shine a light on the huge systemic failures in how child sexual exploitation has been handled across the UK. These public conversations have not always been comfortable – nor should they be, but for too long, institutions have avoided scrutiny and there has been little or no accountability for those who I firmly believe are guilty of misconduct in a public office. Shining a light on those failures is not about blame for its own sake; it is about accountability and reform, and that has been woefully absent as we all know. A link to a recent podcast I did with Liz Truss is included in this newsletter, and that focuses largely on my own experiences of seeing corruption and cover ups at the highest levels in our public institutions. I hope you find it interesting, if depressing.

At the same time as all this, our own groundbreaking Judicial Review in which we are challenging the Government’s failure to implement the 20 recommendations of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse moves forward to the next critical stage. In fact we have a public court hearing at the High Court in London next week on 5th March, which in itself is a huge step forward and a milestone we feared we may never reach. This has only been possible thanks to the personal donations of two of our amazing supporters who have funded this action, and it’s really shocking to me that this should be necessary and perhaps even more shocking that it has fallen to a tiny charity like ours to lead on this! I’m aware that many other charities support our action but are fearful of openly speaking out for fear of losing their funding. That really is shocking!

But I’m immensely proud that WE are taking this step, and are trying to push the juggernaut forward to implement change using the only legal avenue available to us! This case is about far more than legal process though – it is about ensuring that survivor-led recommendations gathered over a 7 year, £200 million pound enquiry are

not just quietly left on a shelf gathering dust for years on end without implementing them. Inquiry without action changes nothing and is just a pointless administrative exercise!!

We are also pleased to say we met with Baroness Anne Longfield and members of the panel for the new statutory national enquiry last week. We brought together a group of about 25 survivors and family members from all over the country to a meeting with them in Manchester. Our 'survivor umbrella group' firmly and very vocally expressed their views to the panel and stated the urgent need for transparency, survivor involvement, and genuine independence unlike what happened last year which led to survivors resigning as they were being coerced and silenced. Survivors must not be sidelined or treated as an afterthought. Their truth and lived experience MUST shape the system, change MUST come, accountability for those who have failed them is also demanded.

As I mentioned above, it is important to say clearly that we are funded entirely by donations from members of the public, trusts and individual benefactors who believe in our work. When I decided to start the charity almost 7 years ago now, I very intentionally decided we would not accept commissioned funding from Government bodies or Police and Crime Commissioners. Our independence matters and it ensures we can speak freely and honestly about what we see – without fear of funding being withdrawn. Our voice must remain uncensored and survivor-led, as without this we are nothing.

Within the Foundation, our Advocacy Team continues to do critical and unique work standing shoulder-to-shoulder with survivors as they attempt to navigate an overstretched, failing and often retraumatizing criminal justice system. In addition, our emotional support service, our fully funded group therapy and psycho education programmes continue to evolve, shaped by feedback and outcomes – always survivor-led, always trauma-informed, always caring and truly life changing as the mountains of feedback we gather from those we have helped proves.

This newsletter reflects a moment of both great challenge but also great resolve. The fight for systemic change is far from over – but neither is our determination.

Thank you for standing with us.

With my heartfelt thanks,

Maggie  
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# ADVOCACY INSIGHT

## Advocacy Team Insights: The Criminal Justice System, Reporting to and Speaking with the Police

Every day, our Advocacy Team stands alongside survivors of sexual abuse and exploitation. Through this work, we see first-hand how the criminal justice system is operating in practice, and how complex, stretched, and, at times, deeply challenging it can feel for those navigating it.

In addition to this of course, we have the knowledge and expertise of our Founder and Chair Maggie, herself an ex detective as well as the skills of our Senior Advocacy Caseworker Mary. Mary is also an ex detective with over 30 years experience who originally joined us as an ambassador on our Emotional Support side, but is now a great asset to our ever evolving Advocacy service. Mary believes fiercely in protecting victims' rights and has extensive knowledge of the law, and the hurdles we need to navigate in support of our survivors/victims. This expertise is invaluable when helping 'fight their corner'.

For many survivors, contacting our service is not their first step. They often reach out after having engaged with the police or wider justice system and then feeling confused, exhausted, or completely let down by a process that is difficult to understand, emotionally overwhelming and retraumatising. Many are seeking clarity about their rights, reassurance about what to expect, and guidance on what options remain available based on what they want moving forward. They desperately need someone to support them/guide them along the challenges of that journey, and that's what our service is there to do.

Through our daily work, we see the system from multiple perspectives. Survivors are struggling to navigate the systems, and the service they receive is often a 'postcode lottery' depending on which officer is leading on their case, and the skills and experience of individual officers can vary immensely. In addition, many professionals are working within an overstretched environment, and they can often lack the time or resources to dedicate to the cases they are juggling, and this impacts greatly on the victim as weeks can turn into months and sometimes even years of delays!



Through the months of October-December 2025 we provided the following support:

**76**  
survivors  
supported

**219**  
hours of support  
provided

across  
**27**  
police forces

Official workforce statistics also show that over the past five years alone approximately 50,000 full-time police officers have chosen to leave police forces across England and Wales. Some of the data available even suggests as many as 43% of new recruits leave within their first five years. This is in addition to many of our experienced officers retiring, their skill and experience lost forever. In the past year alone, 53% of leavers were voluntary resignations, and that figure is pretty scary in regards to its impact on efficiency and increasing pressures on those left to carry the load.

This loss of experience, alongside high workloads and limited resources, places significant pressure on junior frontline staff, who through no fault of their own can find themselves out of their depth with complex cases before they're experienced enough to deal with them. Investigations can be affected, and survivors may encounter responses that feel inconsistent or lacking in empathy, not because individual officers do not care, but because the system does not always provide the time, capacity, or support needed to work in a truly trauma-informed way.

### Why this matters

Many of the survivors we work with are having to wait years for the police to complete their investigations, and we are currently dealing with some cases where the wait has been in excess of 6 years, which is truly terrifying. There is then a further delay for the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) to review the investigation and the evidence that has been gathered. Following this process, if the case meets the necessary thresholds, survivors are currently waiting up to three years for the case to be heard in court because of the significant backlog in scheduling trials. The impact of this means the victim is living a 'life in limbo' for many years, their lives on hold until the trial and sentencing process is over. The trauma of that should never be underestimated.



When a justice system is under sustained strain, it impacts more than outcomes, it impacts trust. Long delays, poor communication, and repeated retelling of traumatic experiences causes unimaginable additional harm. Over time, this discourages survivors from coming forward, weakens confidence in justice, and allows abuse to go unchallenged.

## Our role

At the Foundation, our Advocacy Caseworkers exist to stand alongside survivors throughout this journey. We aim to provide clarity, consistency, and a survivor-centred, trauma-informed approach within a system that can often feel overwhelming and inaccessible. We support survivors to understand their rights, explore options, challenge decisions where appropriate, and feel heard.

Survivors contact us for many reasons, including reporting to the police, understanding next steps after a No Further Action (NFA) decision, navigating police complaints and much more. Whilst we seek to provide guidance ultimately, we are survivor led and we work closely with each survivor to understand their circumstances and explore how they would like to progress their case.

When a CICA claim is appropriate, or perhaps Action Against the Police, we will signpost to appropriate legal firms who handle this work, and whilst we can't recommend anyone as such, we do have a list of suitably experienced contacts as a starting point.

In this Advocacy Insight, we would like to share information about reporting to the police, giving a statement, and the support available throughout that process.



***“The Maggie Oliver Foundation was the only support I could find that could guide me through the practical side of my situation while also providing incredible emotional support.”***  
***– A survivor***



## Reporting to the police: what to expect and how we can support you.

Many survivors that contact the foundation are seeking support to report historical or non-recent sexual abuse and exploitation, with a high percentage experiencing this in childhood. However we do also support survivors of recent sexual crimes, and have included guidance on what to do if you are the victim of a sexual crime that has happened in the last few days below.

Reporting to the police can feel like a daunting step. For some, it may be the first time they have spoken about what has happened, which understandably feels overwhelming and triggering. Our Advocacy Caseworkers offer practical guidance while recognising that everyone's journey, readiness, and needs are different. We work at the survivor's pace. Whilst we cannot report a crime on someone's behalf, we can offer support before, during, and after the process.

Some survivors find it helpful to prepare beforehand, though there is no right or wrong way to do this. One option is to write down a simple timeline of events. This can be especially helpful when reporting non-recent crime, but it may also support anyone preparing to give an account. A timeline can be as detailed or as brief as feels right and is for personal use unless a survivor chooses to share it.

Memories may return gradually or feel out of order, and this is a perfectly common response to trauma and does not mean anything is wrong. Writing what feels manageable and returning to it only when ready can help reduce overwhelm.

When someone feels able, they can report to the police by calling 101 or visiting a local police station or reporting online. At the first point of contact, there is no expectation to share everything immediately. More detailed information usually comes later when a survivor is invited to give a statement or attend an interview.

Survivors can ask for the support of an Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA), who may be able to attend interviews and provide practical guidance throughout the process, although it should be mentioned that there is a chronic shortage of ISVA's and this service is not universally available and is often only offered in the most complex of cases. As a small national charity which works remotely, we do not routinely offer in-person attendance, but we are working to develop this role moving forwards and thereby to provide additional advocacy support.

If someone has additional needs, such as a hearing impairment, autism, or another disability (as deemed by the medical profession), sharing this when reporting can help the police arrange appropriate adjustments, including support from an intermediary. Intermediaries are specialists, often with speech and language



expertise, who help ensure communication is clear and accessible throughout the process, although we know from our experiences that gaining access to these extra services can be challenging and can lead to delays in reporting.

Some survivors also choose to gather supporting information such as medical records, messages, or other documents. There is no pressure to do this immediately, but practical preparation can sometimes help people feel more in control during what can be an emotional experience.

Some individuals only need initial guidance, while others return to us at different stages of their investigation. We will always do our best to support where possible, and where support falls outside our scope, we aim to signpost to organisations better suited to specific needs.

## Reporting a recent crime

If a sexual assault has happened recently, much of the above still applies. However, because forensic evidence may be available, it can be helpful to attend a Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC). SARCs provide confidential medical care and practical support in a safe, specialist environment.

All examinations and evidence collection are fully choice-led – nothing is compulsory. A person can attend a SARC without reporting to the police, and information can be stored for a limited period to allow time to decide what they would like to do next, but it should be noted that appointments at a SARC can be difficult to get depending on where you live, due to workloads and resources once again.

If the crime has been reported to the police or other professional such as a doctor, they may also ask a survivor to attend a SARC to gather any forensic evidence that could help their investigation.

However, accessing a SARC for a full forensic examination following a sexual assault/rape as soon as possible can help preserve forensic evidence that may support an investigation if this is what the victim ultimately decides to do.

Please click [here](#) to find a local SARC.

In the next edition of Advocacy Insight we will be sharing how the advocacy team support survivors when the police or CPS close a case with No Further Action (NFA).



# We Are A Finalist

**The Maggie Oliver Foundation (TMOF)** has been named a finalist in the Micro-Organisation category at the 2026 Northern PoWER Women Awards.



**TMOF** is recognised for its powerful, trauma-informed support to survivors of sexual abuse and exploitation, delivering life-changing advocacy, emotional support and specialist services to those failed or overlooked by traditional systems.

Through its Survivor Support Network and frontline casework, the Foundation has created measurable impact—strengthening survivor confidence, increasing access to justice pathways, and amplifying the voices of women and girls whose experiences have too often been ignored.

Although based in the North West, **TMOF** has a national reach and has made a significant impact by challenging systemic inequality, championing survivor-led change, and driving forward national conversations on safeguarding, accountability and support for vulnerable people.

Its work continues to influence policy, shape public awareness, and build a future in which every survivor is believed, supported and empowered.

**“Being recognised in the Micro-Organisation category is a testament to the courage of the survivors we stand alongside every day, and to the dedicated team committed to fighting for truth, justice and lasting change,”**  
**said The Maggie Oliver Foundation.**





# UN Sung HERO RECOGNITION



At **The Maggie Oliver Foundation**, so much of the most meaningful work happens quietly – through dedication, compassion, and a willingness to show up for others when it matters most. Our **Unsung Hero Award** exists to recognise those individuals, and this quarter we are proud to celebrate Sadie Yarwood.

Sadie has made an invaluable contribution through her ongoing support of group work, where she brings calm, empathy, and consistency for those attending.

Whether supporting discussions or helping to create a safe and welcoming environment, Sadie plays a vital role in ensuring groups feel supported and heard. Alongside this, Sadie has taken on a facilitator role, offering reassurance, guidance, and a steady presence that supports both clients and fellow team members, through our psychoeducation workshops. Her approach reflects a deep understanding of the sensitivity of the work and the importance of trust.

Sadie also provides direct support to clients through our phonedlines, offering compassionate listening, reassurance, and practical support at moments when individuals may feel most vulnerable. This work requires emotional strength, reliability, and genuine care – all qualities Sadie demonstrates time and time again.

As an organisation, we recognise just how vital this support is to our work:

***“Without our amazing ambassador team, we would be unable to provide any of the support we provide via the emotional support service. They are vital part of the support we deliver”***

The **Unsung Hero Award** recognises those who give so much without seeking recognition, and Sadie truly embodies this spirit. Her commitment, kindness, and quiet dedication make a real difference to the people we support and to the wider foundation.

We are incredibly grateful to Sadie for everything she does and are delighted to recognise her as one of our **Unsung Heroes**.



# Our Group Therapy Programme

Group therapy forms a central part of our emotional support offer, providing survivors with a structured, **trauma-informed** environment to build **copng strategies, reduce isolation**, and **strengthen emotional wellbeing**. The programme has continued to evolve in response to participant feedback, facilitator reflection, and outcome data.

Participants are invited to complete wellbeing self-evaluations at the beginning and end of each programme, allowing us to track changes in key areas including optimism, emotional regulation, coping, clarity of thought, and social connection. These outcomes, alongside qualitative feedback, inform ongoing programme development.

**TMOF** have delivered multiple cohorts of trauma-focused group therapy (Groups 1–4), alongside psychoeducation workshops (Groups 1-2) since 2021 .

The psychoeducation workshops are designed to provide structured, lower-intensity group support.



## Completion rates varied across groups:

- Trauma-focused group therapy cohorts recorded completion rates ranging from **66.7% to 83.3%**.
- Psychoeducation workshops saw **65.0%** of participants who completed a baseline evaluation also complete the final evaluation.

Tracking completion has been essential in understanding accessibility, engagement, and where additional support or flexibility may be required.

## Wellbeing Outcomes

Analysis of matched start- and end-evaluation scores shows that group-based interventions led to meaningful wellbeing improvements for a substantial proportion of participants who completed programmes.

Varied outcomes in the individual groups has led to deeper reflection around **readiness, structure, and individual needs**, as we continue to develop, improve and adapt these services. It's critical each survivor is at the right place in their recovery journey to derive maximum benefit from the individual groups.

## Learning and Programme Development

Outcome data and participant feedback together prompted a period of structured programme review recently. Rather than focusing solely on improvement percentages, we examined why different groups achieved different outcomes.



### Key learning included:

- The need to better assess readiness for trauma-focused group therapy.
- The value of offering different levels of group intervention, rather than a single group-therapy pathway.
- The importance of pacing, grounding techniques, and emotional containment throughout sessions.

We introduced a robust process to ensure that anyone accessing any of our group offerings are in a place, where they will achieve better outcomes from the group work.

Anyone looking to access our group therapy, **must** complete the following process:

- **A minimum of 8 emotional support calls (1 cycle)**
- **Psychoeducation Workshops (4 week cycle)**
- **Group Trauma Focused Therapy (12 week cycle)**

Both groups **must** complete 'risk and suitability' questions and also the 'Short Warwick Edinburgh wellbeing form'.



### Continual review

We continue to review wellbeing outcomes alongside participant feedback to ensure the programme remains responsive and survivor-centred.

### Participant Voices

*“Being in a group with others who understood what I’d been through made me feel less alone for the first time in a long while.”*

*“Having a regular space each week helped me make sense of things. I didn’t always feel better straight away, but I felt more able to cope.”*

*“Some sessions were hard, but the grounding at the start and end helped me feel safe enough to take part.”*

*“I realised I wasn’t ready for trauma-focused work at the time. The workshops gave me something useful without being overwhelming.”*

## Psychoeducation workshops

A four-week trauma-focused psychoeducation course, with sessions focused on raising awareness of trauma and providing an introduction to symptom management.

### Topics will include:

***i. Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD): Impact of trauma on the brain, overview of symptoms (reliving symptoms, avoidance, alterations in cognition and mood, physiological arousal). The DSM-5 criteria for PTSD and an overview of how PTSD relates to memory.***

***ii. Complex PTSD (CPTSD): What makes PTSD complex, an overview of the additional symptoms (emotion dysregulation, negative self-concept, interpersonal difficulties), dissociation.***

***iii. Emotional awareness and strategies to help regulate emotions.***

***iv. Coping strategies (imagery, self-compassion, grounding, social networks) and trauma-focused therapy***

Both the psychoeducation workshops and the group trauma focused therapy, are delivered online via zoom.

Both groups, require screening questions and wellbeing forms to be completed at the beginning and the end of the group cycles.

This is extremely important that these are completed, so we can evidence and monitor the impact of the group work on each individuals **wellbeing**, improve session content but also provide our funders with the impact these groups are having, on those who we support.

### Who will be leading the group work?

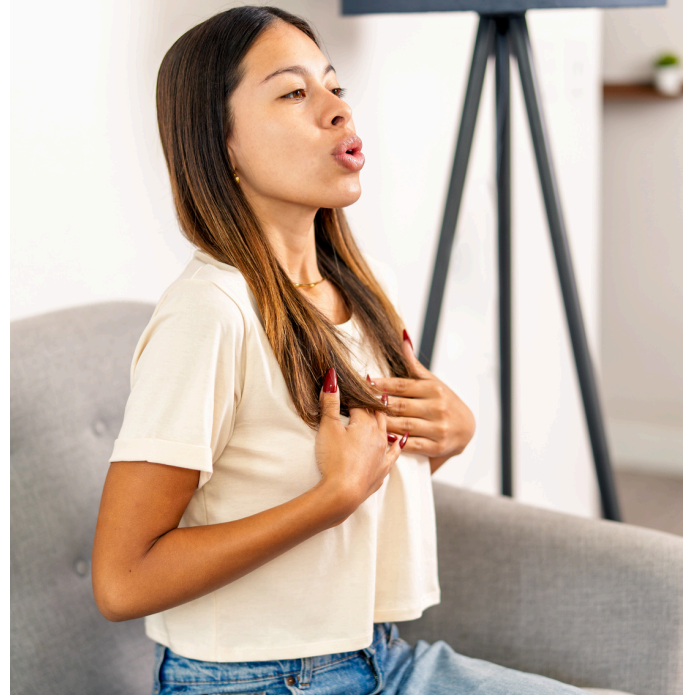
We have four dedicated trauma informed ambassadors who will be facilitating the **psychoeducation workshops**, who have a wealth of experience and who have been provided extensive facilitator training by Dr Georgina Clifford, who all have lived experience. There are options of morning sessions and also evening sessions, to provide further accessibility to the groups.

Dr Georgina Clifford who is a Director at London Trauma Specialists centre, will be delivering the intensive 12 week group trauma focused therapy. You can read all about Dr Georgina Clifford, next. She has extensive experience, and has all of the qualities, tools and qualifications you would expect of someone to lead this intensive programme.

## Group Trauma-Focused Therapy

12 week session group focusing on psychological education about trauma as well as helping you to find better ways of coping with and improving your symptoms related to rape, sexual assault and sexual abuse.

These symptoms might include: flashbacks, nightmares, sleep problems, anxiety, low mood, panic, irritability and anger



## **Dr Georgina Clifford – Specialist Clinical & Research Psychologist; Director, London Trauma Specialists**

Dr Georgina Clifford is a Specialist Clinical and Research Psychologist with extensive academic and clinical training (BSc, DClínPsy, PhD). From the outset of her career, she has specialised in the assessment and treatment of trauma-related psychological difficulties, including PTSD and complex PTSD. She is recognised nationally as an expert witness in court, reflecting the strength of her clinical expertise alongside her research background.



As Director of London Trauma Specialists, Dr Clifford leads and delivers evidence-based trauma services. Her work includes specialist psychological assessments, clinical reporting, and group-based interventions, most notably the Emotion & Memory Group for Complex PTSD. She also provides end-of-group communications to GPs to support continuity of care and ensure appropriate onward support.

### **Support for Rochdale survivors**

Dr Clifford was introduced to Maggie Oliver by CWJ in her role as an expert psychotherapist with specialist experience in sexual abuse and trauma. She was appointed by CWJ in relation to Action Against Police to provide psychological assessments for three survivors connected to the Rochdale grooming gang cases. Maggie accompanied the Rochdale survivors to their assessments with Dr Clifford and was hugely impressed by her professionalism and care towards the survivors.

Each survivor was assessed individually. The survivors reported feeling safe and at ease during their assessments, which supported fuller disclosure and a more comprehensive understanding of their experiences. Dr Clifford later reflected that the material shared was among the most distressing she had encountered in her professional career, underscoring both the severity of the abuse and the importance of sensitive, specialist clinical care.

Throughout this work, Maggie Oliver consistently experienced Dr Clifford as kind, compassionate, and non-judgemental—values that closely align with those held by The Maggie Oliver Foundation (TMOF). It was felt that Dr Clifford's approach and expertise made her an excellent partner in strengthening the Foundation's trauma recovery offer for survivors.

Through her work with TMOF, Dr Clifford has directly supported survivors from the Rochdale grooming gang cases, including facilitating access to trauma-focused psychological assessments and group-based therapeutic interventions within TMOF's programme.

## Partnership with The Maggie Oliver Foundation

Dr Georgina Clifford has partnered with The Maggie Oliver Foundation since 2021. She initially contributed pro bono training for TMOF's phone ambassadors, with follow-up resources provided to support ongoing learning. She continues to work closely with the Foundation to deliver clinical assessments, trauma-focused psychoeducation and therapy groups, and to provide outcomes feedback and clinical letters where appropriate.

Dr Clifford has also trained four TMOF ambassadors to facilitate psychoeducation workshops, enabling these sessions to be delivered more widely and increasing accessibility for survivors.

As TMOF continues to develop and expand its trauma-informed services, Dr Georgina Clifford is expected to remain a key contributor to the Foundation's specialist support offer.

To request further information, about how to start the process, then please email [groupsupport@themaggieoliverfoundation](mailto:groupsupport@themaggieoliverfoundation), where our dedicated Group Work Facilitator and Co-Ordinator, Sadie will answer any questions that you may have, and start you on your own healing journey in turning your own **'Pain into Power'**





# TMOF Merchandise Online Shop



**We're excited to share that  
The Maggie Oliver Foundation's  
merchandise online shop is  
coming soon!**

Keep your eyes peeled for the launch, where you'll be able to support the foundation by purchasing a range of branded items.

Every purchase helps us to continue our work and spread awareness - so stay tuned and get ready to shop for a great cause.

More details coming soon!





# Fundraising - Thank You

A huge 'Thank you' to Andrew Williams who ran the TST New York City Marathon which covers 26.2-mile (42.2 km).

Andrew ran across all five boroughs from Staten Island to Central Park amongst 55,000 runners and raised an amazing £640 to support our work.

A certificate of appreciation is in the post for you Andrew

Thank you for support



## Help Power Our Work – Fundraise for Survivors

Everything we do at **The Maggie Oliver Foundation** is made possible by people who care enough to take action. From emotional support and group therapy to advocacy and campaigning for change, public fundraising plays a vital role in helping survivors feel believed, supported and never alone.

Fundraising doesn't have to be complicated. Our supporters raise funds in so many inspiring ways – walking challenges, personal milestones, creative ideas, or community events – and every effort makes a real difference. Recent fundraisers have shown just how powerful individual action can be, turning determination and compassion into meaningful support for survivors.

Whether you're setting yourself a challenge, celebrating a special occasion, or getting friends and colleagues involved, your fundraising helps us continue and grow our vital services. As a small charity with a big mission, every pound raised helps transform pain into power.

If you're thinking about fundraising for us, we'd love to support you every step of the way. Together, we can make sure survivors are heard, supported and empowered.





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Transforming pain into power



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**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



# COMPETITION

## Calling All Budding Fashion Designers!

We're on the lookout for creative minds to design a t-shirt that captures the heart of The Maggie Oliver Foundation (**TMOF**) and our powerful motto: '**Transforming Pain into Power**'.

The winning design will be brought to life and showcased at our 'pop-up shop' during the Annual Ball on 9th May, held at the iconic Radisson Edwardian Hotel in the heart of Manchester.

It will also feature in the brand-new merchandise section on our website, helping us raise vital funds to continue our life-changing work.

A panel of **TMOF** staff will select the winning entry, and the designer will receive a ticket to the Annual Ball, where they'll see their creation proudly displayed and available for purchase.

Please send your entries to [events@themaggieoliverfoundation.com](mailto:events@themaggieoliverfoundation.com) by **31<sup>st</sup> March 2026**

We look forward to seeing all of your creations!





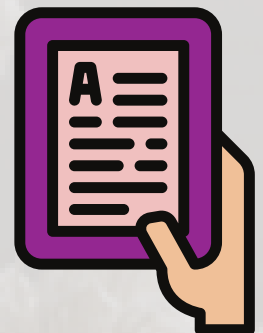
# SUPPORT OUR BOOK

## Survivors: One Brave Detective's Battle to Expose the Rochdale Child Abuse Scandal

### THE SHOCKING TRUE STORY BEHIND THE HIT TV DRAMA THREE GIRLS

When detective Maggie Oliver first discovered that children as young as 10 were being groomed, abused and trafficked for sex by gangs of men in the Rochdale area, she felt like a lonely voice calling for people to act.

This is the heart-breaking and shocking story of how the actions of one determined detective secured convictions in what is now one of the most notorious grooming cases in the UK. Along the way Maggie discovered countless examples of how the authorities were letting down our most vulnerable children. She blew the whistle, losing her job and at times her mind at times, in a bid to stop others from experiencing the same.





# WILL YOU SUPPORT US?

A huge part of the funding which keeps our work going comes from like-minded members of the public. We know times are tight right now and are so grateful to everyone who generously donates. Some make one-off donations, and we have a growing group of supporters giving on monthly basis from £2 per month upwards. As a small charity with a BIG mission, every penny counts.



Or scan the QR code



To make a donation please click on the **Donate Button** or use the **QR code** above to go straight to our **Donate Page**. You can make a donation via our **Just Giving page**, or alternatively you can use the **Donations Form** on our website to make a one off or reoccurring payment. If you have any questions, please contact [supporters@themaggieoliverfoundation.com](mailto:supporters@themaggieoliverfoundation.com). We are so grateful for your donation. Thank you!

**£25**

pays for an hour of advocacy support for a survivor being failed by the criminal justice system

**£50**

pays for an emotional support call through our Pain into Power phonenumber

**£400**

sponsors a survivor through a full eight-week course of emotional support through our Pain into Power phonenumber

**£900**

sponsors a survivor through a complete course of emotional support and a complete 12-week course of group therapy





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## URGENT SUPPORT

If you are concerned about the immediate safety of yourself or someone else, please contact one of the services listed below. If your email is urgent please respond to this email putting "URGENT" in the subject and we will try to prioritise responding.

For immediate help contact:

The **police on 999** where there is an immediate threat to life or if you have been victim of or witnessed a current crime.

Call 111 and select the 'mental health' option to access support

Your **GP or your local A&E Department** is you need urgent mental health support or are feeling suicidal.

Call the **Samaritans for free on 116 123** or text **SHOUT to 85258** if you are struggling with your mental health or feeling suicidal (or are worried about somebody who is).

Rape Crisis can be contacted through various methods shown here:





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## TRAUMA AWARENESS CARDS

Do you struggle with appointments, whether that's waiting in a room with a lot of other people, or examinations that are intimate?

Would you rather not attend the appointment, than inform the staff you struggle with those types of situations?

Then please take a look at the Trauma awareness cards that we have available.

You can either download a pdf version of the cards [here](#)  
scan the QR code below

or contact [charlene@themaggieoliverfoundation.com](mailto:charlene@themaggieoliverfoundation.com) to request some physical copies

We hope you find these useful, when you are needing support the most.

Just simply hand the card over to the person you have the appointment with, and this will explain how you find situations like this difficult, and how they can assist you





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