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Date	Event	Source
February 2001	Parliamentary Cross Party Group on Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse established.	
19 August 2002	Petition PE535 lodged in Scottish Parliament by Mr Daly.	Petition PE535
8 October 2002	The Public Petitions Committee considers petition PE535 for the first time. A letter is issued to the Scottish Executive and the Cross-Party Group on Childhood Sexual Abuse, seeking their comments on the issues in the petition.	
17 February 2003	Response from Scottish Executive to Public Petitions Committee.	
25 March 2003	The Public Petitions Committee considers responses from the Scottish Executive and Cross-Party Group on Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse.	
7 May 2003	The first meeting of the Short Life Working Group on Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse is held.	
End of June / July 2004	Response to the Public Petitions Committee from the Minister for Education and Young People.	
Late July 2004	The Short Life Working Group submits its findings to the Scottish Executive.	
September 2004	The Minister for Justice invites the Chairman of the Scottish Law Commission to undertake a review of the law in Scotland related to limitation.	
29 September 2004	The Public Petitions Committee takes oral evidence from the Minister for Education and Young People.	

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1 December 2004	<p>The Public Petitions Committee ask for a debate in the Chamber on PE535.</p> <p>First Minister makes a Ministerial Statement offering a public apology following PPC debate.</p> <p>Mr Peacock announces what becomes the "Historical Abuse Systemic Review: Residential Schools and Children's Homes in Scotland 1950 to 1995".</p>	
22 December 2004	The Public Petitions Committee heard from Mr Daly and Ms Holland.	
29 June 2005	Announcement of appointment of Tom Shaw to lead the Systemic Review.	
August 2005	Scottish Law Commission requested by Scottish Government to review law on prescription.	
August 2005	Historic Abuse Systemic Review by Tom Shaw begins.	
September 2005	Formal launch of the National Strategy for Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse ("SurvivorScotland").	
September 2005	National Reference Group established to oversee the implementation of the Survivor Scotland Strategy. In care abuse survivors invited to join this group.	
27 September 2005	Petition PE888 lodged in the Scottish Parliament by Mr Daly.	Petition PE888

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5 October 2005	The Public Petitions Committee writes to the Scottish Executive to ask for an update on the issues in PE888, and writes to the Scottish Law Commission inquiring about the timetable for its public consultation on limitation.	Petition PE888 Public Petitions Committee Official report 12 May 2004
22 March 2006	The Public Petitions Committee agrees to link consideration of petition PE535 with PE888 and to invite the views of the petitioner on the responses received.	Petition PE535 Link to Official Report - 30 October 2006
30 October 2006	The Public Petitions Committee notes that PE535 and PE888 had been in progress for a lengthy period of time. The Committee agrees to seek an update from the Scottish Law Commission on its progress with consideration of the time-bar issue and seek the views of Mr Daly on the responses received.	Petition PE535 Link to Official Report - 30 October 2006
28 February 2007	SurvivorScotland's National Conference take place.	
20 March 2007	The Public Petitions Committee agrees that both PE535 and PE888 should be kept open pending the publication of Scottish Law Commission and the Independent Expert reports.	Petition PE535 Link to Official Report - 20 March 2007
11 April 2007	The Inner House allows the defenders' appeal in <i>M v. Hendron</i> and dismisses the action.	
June 2007	National Reference Group creates a sub-group for in care survivors of abuse.	
22 November 2007	Publication of the Tom Shaw Historical Abuse Systemic Review 1950 to 1995.	

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December 2007	The Scottish Law Commission publishes its Report on Personal Injury Actions: Limitation and Prescribed Claims.	Personal Injury Actions: Limitation and Prescribed Claims
15 January 2008	Public Petitions Committee agrees to seek a response from the Scottish Government to the Scottish Law Commission report on personal injury actions.	Link to Official Report 15 January 2008.
7 February 2008	Statement by the Minister for Education and Young People setting out progress made to improve support available for survivors of in care and institutional abuse, accepting the recommendations of the Tom Shaw review.	Statement by Adam Ingram MSP, then Minister for Children and Early Years, on 7 February 2008
15 April 2008	The Public Petitions Committee agrees to close consideration of both PE535 and PE888.	Link to Official Report 15 April 2008.
10 October 2008	The Scottish Government launches a consultation paper: "Proposal to Develop an Acknowledgement and Accountability Forum for Adult Survivors of Childhood Abuse".	https://ix.iriss.org.uk/content/proposal-develop-acknowledgement-and-accountability-forum-adult-survivors-childhood-abuse
25 November 2008	One Year On: National Conference took place to highlight progress of the SurvivorScotland National Strategy and launch of In Care Survivors Service Scotland (ICSSS).	
16 January 2009	Consultation on "Acknowledgement and Accountability Forum" closes.	
March 2009	Publication of Tom Shaw Historic Abuse Systemic Review: One Year on Review.	
March 2009	The Scottish Government commissions the Scottish Human Rights Commission to produce a Human Rights Framework for	

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	the design and delivery of an Acknowledgement and Accountability Forum.	
October 2009	The Keeper of the Records of Scotland publishes a review of public records legislation.	
25 November 2009	National Reference Group informed that a pilot forum had been given Ministerial approval.	
1 December 2009	The Acknowledgement and Accountability Forum Advisory Group meets for the first time.	
5 February 2010	Announcement by Ministers of their decision to establish a Pilot Forum chaired by Tom Shaw.	
February 2010	Publication of the Scottish Human Rights Commission's Human Rights Framework for the design and implementation of the proposed "Acknowledgment and Accountability Forum" and other remedies for historic child abuse in Scotland.	A Human Rights Framework for the design and implementation of the proposed "Acknowledgement and Accountability Forum" and other remedies for historic child abuse in Scotland.
17 May 2010 – 2 September 2010	Time to be Heard Pilot Forum runs.	
30 August 2010	Petition PE1351 lodged by Mr Daly and Ms Holland calling for a "Time for all to be Heard".	Petition PE1351
21 December 2010	Ms Robison, Mr Ingram and Mr Ewing appeared before the Public Petitions Committee to provide the Scottish Government's response to PE1351.	Public Petitions Committee Official Report 21 December 2010
23 February	The report by Tom Shaw on the Time to be	

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2011	Heard Pilot Forum published.	
1 March 2011	Mr Shaw and Ms Carpenter (Time to be Heard Commissioner) attended the Public Petitions committee.	
16 March 2011	Public Records (Scotland) Act passed, with Royal Assent being given on 20 April 2011.	Public Records (Scotland) Act
22 March 2011	The Scottish Government's response to the report on Time to be Heard: A Pilot Forum was published.	
16 August 2011	Petition PE1397 was lodged in the Scottish Parliament.	Petition PE1397
3 October 2011	The Scottish Government responds to PE1397 .	
February 2012	Scottish Human Rights Commission InterAction commences.	
29 June 2012	Consultation by Margaret Mitchell MSP on proposed Apologies Bill commences.	
June 2012	Publication of the Centre for Excellence for Looked After Children in Scotland: Scoping Project on Children in Care in Scotland 1930 to 2005.	Scoping Project on Children in Care in Scotland 1930 to 2005
20 July 2012	Consultation on the creation of what would become the National Confidential Forum was launched.	Consultation
19 December 2012	The Scottish Government publishes its Consultation Paper on Civil Law of Damages: Issues in Personal Injury.	
February 2013	Provisions to establish a National Confidential Forum, as part of the Victims & Witnesses (Scotland) Bill, were introduced.	National Confidential Forum
November	Draft InterAction Action Plan published.	

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12 December 2013	An opening meeting hosted by the SHRC and CELCIS was held to consider the draft Action Plan.	https://www.scottishhumanrights.com/media/2086/historicalabuseopen-event12december-2013.pdf
19 December 2013	The Scottish Government publishes its response to the Civil Law of Damages: Issues in Personal Injury Consultation.	Civil Law of Damages: Issues in Personal Injury - Scottish Government Response to the Consultation
14 January 2014	The Public Petitions Committee publishes a 'Report into Tackling Child Sexual Exploitation in Scotland'. The Committee's inquiry and associated report followed Petition PE1393 lodged by Barnardo's Scotland on 8 July 2011.	
28 January 2014	Public Petitions Committee Debate, following the Committee's publication of its 'Report into Tackling Child Sexual Exploitation in Scotland' on 14 January 2014.	
17 June 2014	A report was published by the SHRC giving a summary of consultation responses to the draft Action Plan.	https://www.scottishhumanrights.com/media/2056/consultation-summary-june-2014.pdf
13 August 2014	Ministers for Public Health, Community Justice and Legal Affairs, and Children and Young People, met with 12 survivors and Professor Alan Miller to hear views on the InterAction Plan.	
October 2014	InterAction Action Plan on Justice for Victims of Historic Child Abuse published by CELCIS and SHRC.	
27 October 2014	A final meeting of the InterAction group was held. At this meeting, the draft Action Plan was agreed as the final Action Plan (with no changes) and the Scottish	https://www.gov.scot/policies/child-protection/supporting-child-abuse-survivors/ https://www.scottishhumanrights.com/media/2059/interaction-summary-october-2014.pdf

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	Government committed to taking forward various elements of the Plan.	
11 November 2014	In a statement on Child Protection to Parliament, Scottish Government committed to considering an Inquiry into Historic Abuse. A commitment was given to join with survivors and agencies, ensuring that the views and experience of survivors was integral to the decision making and action process going forward.	https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/report.aspx?r=9616&mode=pdf
4 December 2014	Ms Constance met with 6 survivors to hear views on an inquiry and support.	
15 December 2014	InterAction Open event attended by Cabinet Secretary and two Ministers.	
17 December 2014	Ms Constance makes a parliamentary statement, announcing an inquiry.	https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/report.aspx?r=9697&mode=pdf
17 January 2015	Victims & Witnesses (Scotland) Bill receives royal assent.	
29 January 2015	Scottish Government launches engagement process for survivors and relevant organisations, to hear their views on the Terms of Reference and attributes of a Chair for the SCAI.	
February 2015	National Confidential Forum begins.	
5 February 2015	Ms Constance meets with Mr Draper and Mr ████████ to discuss their views on the SCAI's Terms of Reference and attributes of a Chair.	
3 March 2015	Apologies Law Bill introduced to Parliament by Margaret Mitchell MSP.	

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22 April 2015	Ms Constance writes to survivors and all MSPs to advise that she will return to Parliament in May 2015 to make an announcement on the Inquiry (not the end of April as originally anticipated).	
May 2015	Ms Constance announced to Parliament that the Scottish Government intended to lift the 3 year time-bar on civil actions in cases of historical child abuse that took place after 26 September 1964.	
June 2015 – September 2015	The Scottish Government ran a consultation on “The Removal Of The Three Year Limitation Period From Civil Actions For Damages For Personal Injury For In Care Survivors Of Historical Child abuse”. The Scottish Government published an independent analysis of the responses, its own response to the consultation outcome, and a draft Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill on 14 March 2016.	
1 October 2015	SurvivorScotland published ‘Strategic Outcomes and Priorities 2015-2017’.	
September 2016	The Scottish Government’s In Care Survivor Support Fund (later renamed Future Pathways) officially opens, succeeding ICSSS. It is made up of an alliance of organisations, including care experienced survivors.	Future Pathways Website
November 2016	Limitation (Childhood Abuse) Bill introduced before Scottish Parliament.	
November 2016	A commitment was made by the Deputy First Minister to consult with survivors of in care abuse regarding redress in the form of	

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	financial compensation. CELCIS facilitated engagement in partnership with the SHRC InterAction Action Plan Review Group, which includes survivor representatives.	
February 2017	In Care Survivor Support Fund renamed Future Pathways.	
4 October 2017	Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Act comes into force.	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2017/3/introduction/enacted
12 February 2018	The SHRC InterAction Action Plan Review Group wrote to the Deputy First Minister with an update on the progress of the consultation on financial redress.	
6 June 2018	Scottish Government announces National Trauma Training Programme (NHS Education for Scotland: National trauma training framework).	https://www.nes.scot.nhs.uk/education-and-training/by-discipline/psychology/multiprofessional-psychology/national-trauma-training-framework.aspx
23 October 2018	Deputy First Minister made a statement regarding the recommendations from the InterAction Review Group on financial redress. Included an apology to all survivors of abuse in care in Scotland.	
25 April 2019	Advance Payment Scheme opened.	
2 September 2019	Public consultation on the design of the statutory redress scheme opened.	
4 December 2019	Scottish Government announces outcome of review of the Advance Payment Scheme, reducing age threshold for eligibility from age 70 to 68.	
13 August 2019	Redress Bill for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse In Care) (Scotland) Bill was introduced to Parliament.	

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