



Child Sexual Abuser

I was assaulted by a child sexual abuser at the age of 10. I didn't speak out at the time, as I thought his children would end up in care and that would be my fault.

That was the wrong decision, but obviously not a decision any ten year old child should ever have to make. Years later I realised I had to go to the police, as I could not live with the thought of him hurting other children.

He was arrested, but the CPS wouldn't prosecute as there wasn't enough evidence for a conviction. Every day I'm reading horrific cases of CSA and cover ups and it made me realise I have to speak out, so I can hopefully give other victims the courage to speak out.

Vast majority of victims have taken what has happened to them to their graves, which is appalling. My counsellor said I was the only CSA victim she had ever spoken to who didn't feel 'ashamed and dirty'. Knowing that spurs me on.

I went on twitter in May and I'm not coming off until our government grow a backbone and give CSA victims the justice they so richly deserve. Child sexual abusers thrive in the knowledge their victims are too traumatised to ever speak out. I want victims to try and find the courage to speak out, because when they have finished with you, they go on to their next victim. If, by speaking out, one person comes forward it has been worth it.

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