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Arts Council South East,
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Dear Sir or Madam,

One of the primary duties of this organisation is to promote discussion on male victims of domestic abuse. Offering guidance on artistic projects such as these have been a regular part of work since our formation in 2001, most notably with the makers of Coronation Street as they developed the much discussed Tyrone storyline.

It is important to make sure this subject matter is presented with a high level of sensitivity and accuracy. Having spoken to Rich about the story he wishes to tell and what he needs from The Mankind Initiative I wholeheartedly support this project. By working together and introducing to him several former victims I believe his play would meet that high standard.

I believe telling such stories are a wonderful way to increase discussion, share experiences and challenge opinion. On our website we share many plays and films which we have assisted with and I would look forward to adding Rich's play to our website.

Yours faithfully,

Mark Brooks

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Chair of Trustees