Responding to the announcement of the death of Jill Saward earlier today, the Rev Arun Arora, Director of Communications for the Church of England, said:

'It is with great sadness that we learned of Jill's death this morning following a stroke earlier this week.

Jill was a truly brave woman who campaigned tirelessly on behalf of victims of sexual violence. Her courage, fortitude and commitment made her an outstanding campaigner as well as a loyal friend to many. She was much loved and respected and will be greatly missed by those whose lives she touched.

It is typical of Jill that her final act was to see who might be helped through the donation of her organs.

Gavin, Myles, Rory, Fergus, Rachel, Joe and Sue will remain in our prayers over the coming weeks as they grieve.

May Jill Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.'