**Case Closed First Chapter Competition: Postal Entry Form**

If you are entering the Case Closed First Chapter Competition by post, please complete this entry form and attach it to your 4,000 word written sample and post it to:

**Case Closed, Spread the Word, The Albany, Douglas Way, London SE8 4AG**

**Deadline for entries is 10am Tuesday 26 September** (entries will not be accepted after this time). You can enter online if you prefer through Submittable:

<https://spreadtheword.submittable.com/submit/4dbe11bc-0d1b-4002-900a-8ff95b380090/case-closed-first-chapter-competition>

Please also ensure you have read the **Eligibility Criteria, Terms and Conditions** and **FAQs** before you apply. You can view the **BSL video,** listen to the **audio** and read **.doc** versions on the Case Closed project page on our website: <https://www.spreadtheword.org.uk/projects/case-closed/>

If you do not complete every section of this form, your entry will be inadmissible.

If you have any questions or require assistance, please email Emily Ajgan:

[emily@spreadtheword.org.uk](mailto:emily@spreadtheword.org.uk) with ‘Case Closed’ in the subject line.

**Your name:**

**Your email address:**

**Your postal address and postcode:**

**Your mobile telephone number:**

**The Competition is for writers currently underrepresented in UK publishing, please confirm which community or communities you belong to (tick as many as are appropriate):**

Black, Asian or Global Majority

Deaf and/or Disabled

LGBTQIA+

Working Class

**Please confirm that you are eligible for the Case Closed First Chapter Competition by ticking all the relevant boxes. Please note that if any of these do not apply to you, you are not eligible to enter.**

**I can confirm that:**

I have read, understood and comply with the Eligibility Criteria and Terms and Conditions

I live in the UK

I am aged over 18

I am an unagented and unpublished writer

**About your project:**

**Project title (or working title):**

**Is your project (tick only one):**

An existing project  A new project

**Is your project (tick only one):**

Crime Fiction

Thriller Fiction

Mystery Fiction

**Your First Chapter**

Please attach your competition entry. Your writing sample should be: no longer than 4,000 words, typed in black, double-spaced, in 12 point font, paginated and not have your name on it. The chapter does not need to be from a completed project.

If your name appears on the extract, your entry will be rejected.

*Spread the Word will be in touch with all entrants by Friday 17 November 2023 with the outcome of their application. Please note that we are not able to return entries, but we will acknowledge receipt.*

ENDS