

# Cross-Party Group Annual Report

## Cross Party Group Details

### Cross Party Group Title:

Violence against women and children

## Group membership and office holders

### Name of Group Chair:

Sioned Williams MS

### Names of other Members of the Senedd:

Jane Dodds MS

Mark Isherwood MS

### Name of Secretary and Organisation:

Jennifer Mills, Welsh Women's Aid (WWA)

### Names of other external members and organisations represented:

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## Other meetings of the Group since the last AGM

### Meeting 1

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#### Date of Meeting:

13<sup>th</sup> June 2023

#### Attendees:

Abigail Rees, Barnardo's/ Allie Iftikhar, Policy Officer; WWA (Secretariat)/ Carol Harris, Stori Cymru/ Charlotte Archibald, Welsh Government/ Claire Short, Stop It Now!/ Eleri Morgan, Senedd Commission (Translator)/ Emily Watson, WWA (Minute Taker)/ Gwendolyn Sterk, Cardiff Women's Aid/ Hannah Blythyn MS, Deputy Minister for Social Partnership/ Jodie Saunders, SMT/ Kate Bacon, Welsh Government/ Katryn Bennett, New Pathways/ Liz Downie, Thrive Women's Aid/ Lorna Jones, Live Fear Free Helpline/ Michelle Whelan, Calan DVS/ Nancy Lidubwi, Bawso/ Niamh Salkeld, Plaid Cymru/ Rebecca Griffiths, Welsh Government/ Rhianydd Williams, Wales TUC/ Sam Lewis, Llamau/ Sara Kirkpatrick, CEO; WWA/ Sarah Thomas, National Federation of Women's Institutes (NFWI)/ Simon Borja, Safer Wales/ Sioned Williams MS (Chair)/ Stephanie Grimshaw, WWA/ Vivienne Laing, NSPCC/ Yasmin Khan, National VAWDASV Advisor

#### Summary of the issues discussed:

Hannah Blythyn MS (Deputy Minister for Social Partnership) discussed the work being done by Welsh Government on Tackling Sexual Harassment in the Workplace

Rhianydd Williams (Wales TUC) provided an introduction to the Sexual Harassment Toolkit, launched in March 2023

Stephanie Grimshaw (Welsh Women's Aid) provided an overview of WWA's No Grey Area report on experiences of workplace sexual harassment in Wales

### Meeting 2

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#### Date of Meeting:

27<sup>th</sup> October 2023

#### Attendees:

Sioned Williams, MS (Chair)/ Jen Mills, Welsh Women's Aid/ Stephanie Grimshaw, Welsh Women's Aid/ Aliya Iftikhar, Welsh Women's Aid/ Bethan Sayed/ Carol Harris, Stori Cymru/

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Claire short, Stop it Now! Wales/ Gemma Nokes, Calan DVS/ Sian Gwenllian, MS/ Altaf Hussain, MS/ Jennie Henderson, Stepping Stones NW/ Jodie Saunders, SMT/ Fay Jones, MP/ Rhianydd Williams, TUC Cymru/ Johanna Robinson, Welsh Government/ Sarah Thomas, NFWI Wales/ Simon Borja, Safer Wales/ Sharon Smith, Stori Cymru

**Summary of the issues discussed:**

AGM Held

Stephanie Grimshaw (Welsh Women’s Aid) discussed types of technological abuse and the role of social media

Bethan Sayed and Fay Jones MP discussed their personal experiences of online abuse as elected politicians

**Meeting 3**

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**Date of Meeting:**

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**Attendees:**

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**Summary of the issues discussed:**

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**Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations and charities the Group have met during the previous year.**

[names of lobbyists/organisations/charities should be included as follows, e.g.]

**Name of Organisation:**

N/A

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N/A

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## Annual Financial Statement

**Cross Party Group Title:**

**Violence against women and children**

**Date:**

06/11/23

**Name of Chair:**

**Sioned Williams MS**

**Name of Secretary and Organisation:**

**Jennifer Mills, Welsh Women's Aid (WWA)**

Title	Description	Amount
<b>Group's Expenses</b>	None	£0.00
<b>Costs of all goods</b>	No goods bought	£0.00
<b>Benefits received by the group or individuals members from external bodies</b>	No benefits received.	£0.00
<b>Any financial support or other support.</b>	No financial support was received.	£0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£0.00</b>

Services provided to the Group, such as hospitality.

All hospitality paid for [include the name of the group/organisation].

Date	Name and description of provider	Costs
		£0.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£0.00</b>