

Cross Party Group on Men's Violence Against Women and Children

Wednesday 5th September 2018 from 17.30 – 19.30

Committee Room 5, Scottish Parliament

Agenda

1. Present/Apologies
2. AGM – election of office bearers (10 min)
3. Thematic session: On-line Abuse and VAWG
 - A. Overview of online abuse as cyberVAWG, Marsha Scott, Scottish Women's Aid
 - B. Online abuse and hate crime, Emma Ritch, Engender
 - C. Amnesty campaign, Naomi McAuliffe, Amnesty International
 - D. Young women and online abuse, Empower Project
 - E. Address by Minister for Older People & Equalities Christina McKelvie MSP (5 min)
4. Cross-Party Group business (20 min)
 - A. Approval of previous minutes
 - B. Matters arising from minutes
 - a. Approval of action points from previous meeting
 - C. Action Points from this thematic session
 - D. Members' updates
 - E. Confirmation/Approval of new members:
 - **YMCA Scotland, Young Women Lead committee** represented by Erin Mwebo
 - **Church of Scotland**, represented by Katherine Gilmour, Gender Justice Officer
 - **Tammy Connell** (Individual) - volunteered with Victim Support since 2008, supporting victims and witnessed in giving evidence at Edinburgh High Court and Sheriff court
 - **Kelly Johnson** (Individual) - Based in Edinburgh, currently works as an Assistant Professor in Criminology, at Durham University's Centre for Research into Violence and Abuse. Her research interests and areas of expertise include domestic and sexual violence, policing, and more broadly responses to VAWG.
 - **Nikki Dillon** (Individual) – has previously worked as a counsellor with victims of DA and sexual violence in Lincolnshire. Now residing in St Andrews, Nikki would like to support the aims and the work of the group.

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5. Date and time of next meetings:

- December 5th 5.30 – 7pm: Thematic session: Work with perpetrators and men's role in challenging other men