

Draft minute of the meeting of the

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

5 December 2018, 17.30 – 19.00, Scottish Parliament, Committee Room 5

1. Present/Apologies

Present

CPG Members

- Claudia Beamish MSP (CB)
- John Finnie MSP (chair) (JF)
- Rhoda Grant MSP (RG)
- Rona Mackay MSP (RMk)
- Amy Johnson – Zero Tolerance (AJ)
- Ania Kinross – Scottish Women's Aid (AK)
- Brenna Jessie – Scottish Women's Aid (BJ)
- Catriona Kirkpatrick – Engender (CK)
- Davy Thompson – White Ribbon Scotland (DT)
- George Eckton – Individual (GE)
- Marsha Scott – Scottish Women's Aid (MS)
- Pam Hunter – SAY Women (PH)
- Rory Macrae – Safer Families & Caledonian Project (RMr)
- Sarah Weldon – Forensic Services, Glasgow (SW)
- Susie Dalton – Scottish Women's Aid (SD)
- Tammy Connell – Individual (TM)
- Vikki Kerr – Caledonian Project (VK)

Non-Member Visitors

- Leah McCabe (PhD student)
- Erin Stern - Prevention Collaborative, Geneva
- Chantal Neuweiler - Global Partnership, USA
- Dikeledi Moema - Government of South Africa
- Rebecka Lundgren - University of Georgetown
- Robert Lang - American Bar Association
- Samalie Lutaaya - IIDC, Uganda
- Dominique Maidment - Prevention Collaborative, Thailand
- Clara Alemann - Prevention Collaborative, USA
- Catherine Maternowska - Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children, Geneva
- Elizabeth Detorri - Global Partnership to End Violence Against Children/UNICEF, USA
- Francisco Hernandez - Government of Honduras
- Debi Fry - The University of Edinburgh
- Lebogang Molai - Government of South Africa
- Edward Siddons - Apolitical

- Annie Pouliot - Government of Canada
- Adina Codres - Government of Romania
- Carol Francis Mango - Women's Fund, Tanzania
- Deo Yiga - IIDC, Uganda
- Chad Hemady - The University of Edinburgh
- Bernadette Madrid - Violence Research Centre, Philippines
- Shuwanna Aaron – NUS Scotland

Apologies

- Claire Baker MSP
- Ann Hayne – NHS Lanarkshire, EVA Services
- Ellie Hutchinson – The Empower Project Scotland
- Emma Ritch – Engender
- Katherine Gilmour - Church of Scotland
- Kelly Johnson - Individual
- Kirsty Pate – Community Justice DA Services Edinburgh
- Lily Greenan – Individual (LG)
- Linda Rodgers – Edinburgh Women’s Aid
- Linda Thompson – Women’s Support Project
- Louise Johnson – Scottish Women’s Aid (LJ)
- Melanie McCarry – Strathclyde University (MMC)
- Orlaith McAree – Pilton Community Health Project (OMA)
- Paula Mitchell – Individual (PM)
- Sandie Barton – Rape Crisis Scotland

2. Thematic session: Work with men as perpetrators

- A. Challenging men through the Caledonian system - Rory Macrae, Caledonian (see Appendix 1)
- B. Why men should be involved in addressing VAW? – Davy Thompson, White Ribbon Scotland (see Appendix 2)
- C. Recent research on men as victims – Marsha Scott, SWA (see Appendix 3)
- D. Cognition in IPV Offenders and the STAR Service - Sarah Weldon, Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS (see Appendix 4)

3. Cross-Party Group business

- A. Approval of previous minutes: minutes of CPG September 5th 2018 were approved.
- B. Matters arising from minutes:
 - a. Update on the agreed action points from the session on VAWG in Education Settings: AJ has briefly outlined the final 5 recommendations for the attention of Cabinet Secretary for

Education & Skills, as suggested by the CPG members (circulated prior to the meeting). CB would like to draw more attention to the fact that many academic institutions are failing to pro-actively challenge VAW.

Action: AJ to incorporate CB's comment to the recommendations.

C. Members' updates:

- a. Caledonian Project: the project is working on establishing links with a similar perpetrator programme in Canada.
- b. Zero Tolerance: 11th Dec launch of a toolkit for challenging gender stereotypes in Early Years settings
- c. Scottish Women's Aid: a number of events taking place for the 16 Days, with particular social media focus on [SDAFMH](#) on 12th Dec. Work is ongoing with Barnardos, CELCIS and other partners to set up a Safe & Together (S&T) Institute for Scotland. Data gathering from 13 authorities to implement S&T has been completed and a formal proposal is being developed for submission to the Scottish Government. Following the publication of action plan on homelessness and relative invisibility of women and children in it, SWA is calling for a national enquiry into WCYP experiences of homelessness.
- d. White Ribbon Scotland: through involvement with Association of British Bookmakers work is ongoing to engage with men who wouldn't normally engage with the campaign. Thanks to Coral and William Hill this has been implemented in 2 areas so far.

D. Confirmation/Approval of new members: new members have been unanimously approved:

- a. COSLA, represented by Katie Brown, Equally Safe Policy Co-ordinator
- b. Barnardo's Scotland, represented by Maddy Kirkman, Policy Officer
- c. NUS Scotland, represented by Shuwanna Aaron, Women's Officer

E. AOCB

- a. Co-opting additional Co-convenor: Rona Mackay MSP has been unanimously approved as the third Co-convenor
- b. Topics for 2019: call for topics to focus on in 2019. **NEXT MEETING TO AGREE THEMES FOR 2019 MEETINGS.**
- c. Invitation from CPG on Adult Survivors Of Childhood Sexual Abuse session to attend their meeting on 20th Feb 2019 at 6pm (circulated prior to the meeting): anyone interested in attending should [email the CPG ASCSA](#)

4. Date and time of the next meetings

- February 6th 5.30-7pm