

Notice of Motion

16 Days of Activism to End Violence Against Women and Girls

Midlothian Council welcomes the global 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence and 2019's theme "Orange the World: #HearMeToo; commends the many activists and organisations, both in Midlothian and across the world, that are providing frontline support for survivors, raising awareness of this important issue and working tirelessly to challenge the underlying attitudes and inequalities that perpetuate violence against women and girls;

This council also reaffirms its support for Equally Safe: Scotland's strategy to prevent and eradicate all forms of violence against women and girls; reflects on the advancements made as a participant of the Equally Safe at Work Accreditation Scheme; and agrees to promote its participation to employees as widely as possible.

The council also notes that Violence against Women is a societal issue and calls on communities everywhere to stand shoulder to shoulder in sending a clear message that violence against women and girls is never acceptable, and urges everyone in Midlothian to continue to challenge harassment and abuse, hold perpetrators to account for their behaviour and work together to build a Scotland where everyone can live equally safe."

Proposed By: Councillor Kelly Parry

Seconded By: Councillor Stephen Curran



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