

Gender Inequality & Poverty Steering Group

Participant Information

We would like to invite you to help us with our research.

This research is about understanding how gender inequality impacts on women and their families in Aberdeen and to suggest actions the Council can take to reduce poverty and inequality.

We want your help to identify the areas that impact on women's lives, how these cause inequality and what can be done to fix them.

This research is being carried out by the Scottish Women's Budget Group (SWBG) who are a charity that wants to make Scotland a more equal place by looking at how governments raise and spend money.

We are looking for women in Aberdeen who have experience of living on a low-income to help us to decide how to run this project and to come up with suggestions for how we can fix the problems we find.

If you have any questions about the project, now or as we go along, you can ask these at any time. If you decide to get involved, you can stop being involved at any time.

If you choose to get involved, we will ask you some questions about yourself. You do not have to answer these questions if you do not want to, you can still be on the steering group if you do not answer them. We will not share your information with anyone, unless we are worried about you or someone else. If we are worried, we would talk to you about it.

If you decide to take part in the steering group, we will meet up to 12 times between September 24 and March 25. You do not have to come to all meetings, we can support you to be involved in other ways if you can't attend. Meetings will last about 2 hours, you will meet with other women involved and Heather and Carmen from SWBG.

At our first meeting, we will get to know each other and agree how we want to work together. At the following meeting, we will talk about what research is and what this project is about and we will ask you to agree topics we need to look and ways we can do that.

We would like to record meetings, so we can remember what you say. We would also like you to tell us how the project is going for you as we go along, and will agree with you how we can do that.

At the end of the project, we will present our findings and proposed solutions and within six months the Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee will come back to us with a response. We will share this with you and ask you for your thoughts. After each meeting we will give you a voucher of £30 to say thank you. We will cover any travel or other costs you have.

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SWBG will store information about you that allows us to get in touch with you and we will keep a copy of any opinions you share with us in meetings or through phone calls or emails but these will not have your name attached to them..

If you provide it we will keep information about your age, nationality etc., but this will not be kept alongside your details. At the end of the research we will remove your contact details from our records.

If you have any question about this you can contact Sara Cowan at SWBG on Sara.Cowan@swbg.org.uk or on 0141 648 7673.

Your Details

Name:

Email

Phone

Post code:

Consent

- I have been given information about this project and I have had the chance to ask questions.
- I understand i can stop taking part at any time.
- I agree that meetings can be recorded
- I understand my name will not be put on anything that is written about this research unless I agree to it being included in the information about the steering group
- I agree SWBG can keep my contact details so they can get in touch with me for the duration fo the project.
- I understand that photos may be taken during meetings but I will be asked for consent before this happens
- I agree to be invovled in the steering group

Signature

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and consent to the above or that verbal consent was given on the date below:

Signature:

Date: