

February 2017

**Women's Regional Consortium
Service Support**

Provided information and support by:

- ✚ Publishing articles and circulating information weekly to women's organisations through the Consortium e-zine.
- ✚ Circulated information on International Women's Day event at Women's Centres
- ✚ Circulated information on the WHSCT 's '10,000 Voices Initiative' to Rural Women's groups.

Promoted good practice by:

- ✚ Circulating relevant training information to women's and community & voluntary sector organisations.
- ✚ Sharing funding information with women's sector organisations and networks supporting women living in rural and disadvantaged areas in the North West regions.

Provided networking opportunities by:

- ✚ Engaging with Council Community Planning co-ordinators from DEA areas re the (8) Local Community Plans.
- ✚ Attended Rural Basic Services and Village Renewal Workshop to connect with Women's groups in the new DEA's and to raise awareness of the Women's Consortium

Supported women and women's organisations by:

Informing and facilitating women who live in disadvantaged communities to discuss, consider and respond to the following:

- ✚ Focus group 'Young people and Children's Strategy'.
- ✚ Research 'Housing and Poverty questionnaire' – Women's Perspectives'
- ✚ Circulating information through the Consortium e-zine and website.
- ✚ Sharing information on the courses provided through the Women's Centre Derry.
- ✚ Supporting women's organisations to work jointly with statutory agencies to support the on-going development of 2 Traveller Women's Groups who live in disadvantaged communities.
- ✚ Supporting women's organisations by continuing to support in the delivery of English conversation and language skills for BME women and children who are new to our community.
- ✚ Participating in Function 4 sub group meeting to network with consortium partners and share information which benefits women who live in disadvantaged and rural areas.
- ✚ Working in Partnership with AWARE and WHSCT to facilitate 'Living Life to the Full' programme to support the development of Traveller Women's groups.