

COMMUNITY

This means:

1. People looking out for each other and having a sense of belonging
2. Communities that are welcoming, inclusive, and nurturing
3. Building communities that are socially, economically, culturally, and environmentally sustainable.

DECENCY

This means:

1. Valuing people's shared humanity and human dignity, and having mutual respect
2. Compassion and mutual support
3. Everyone having a quality of life, with their needs met and a capacity to choose the life they wish to lead.

PARTICIPATION

This means:

1. People speaking up and having a say, with their views being heard and valued.
2. Different voices and the perspectives of different groups in society having an influence to advance equality, social justice and sustainability
3. Active engagement in decision-making, rebalancing of power in this process, and investing resources to support this engagement.

17 PROJECTS NATIONWIDE



North Leitrim
Womens Centre

Claremorris
Women's
Group

Blayney Blades Ltd.

DÓCHAS FOR WOMEN

20 Years of encouraging and
empowering women to participate
in the community and society



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Women's Association



Women
Together Tallaght Network



SWAN
Southside Women's Action Network
Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown



Clondalkin/Lucan Women's Network
Local, Accessible, Feminist



WATERFORD
WOMEN'S
CENTRE

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Women's Manifesto



NCCWN WOMEN'S MANIFESTO

– WE DEMAND FROM THIS GOVERNMENT

VALUE CARE WORK

VALUE WHAT IS VALUABLE:

Value Carers and Care work, Homemakers.
Free Accessible Childcare for all.

RESPECT DIVERSITY

EQUALITY WITHIN EQUALITY:

One size does not fit all. We want recognition of the diverse rights of all women. Remember your 10 grounds.

EDUCATION

FREE MEANS FREE:

Education for all. Accessible life-long learning in our communities for all. Pre-school to University and Beyond. Affordable, Adult & Community Education & Training places for all.

CLEAR LAW & CONSISTENT JUSTICE

JUST LAW FOR WOMEN:

A Legal system that is consistent and Justice that is Gender Sensitive to the Rights of Women.

RESPONSIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

CONSULTATION NOT DICTATION:

Hear what your local community is saying. Provide Public Services which are Appropriate, Accessible, Affordable...& Accountable!

WOMEN IN POWER

REPRESENTATION FOR THE OTHER HALF OF THE NATION:

Equal Representation on Local and Central Governing Bodies. Implementation of the Strategy for Women and Girls. Recognise and

value the role of NCCWN Women' Projects and the work we do with grassroots women.

SOCIAL WELFARE SYSTEM

FAIRNESS & WELLNESS IN WELFARE:

LET ME LIVE

Allowance TO LIVE: Get Women Out of Poverty.
Women deserve pensions' equality

END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

PROTECT, PROVIDE, PREVENT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN:

Safety is a Human Right. Fund community services and supports for women.

WOMEN'S HEALTH NEEDS

FUND WOMEN'S HEALTH PROGRAMMES:

Women's bodies matter - Women's lives matter

HOMELESSNESS

RECOGNISE IMPACTS OF HOMELESSNESS ON WOMEN AND CHILDREN:

Invest in Appropriate, Affordable and Accessible housing, accommodation & supports

NAME YOUR LOCAL ISSUE NOW.

Know what you want to say before they knock at your door.

The National Collective of Community Based Women's Networks NCCWN

is passionate about community initiatives which support the development of women and women's engagement in civil society. We believe in women's community education as a catalyst for change. This is done at local level by offering first steps programmes, community workshops and women's access to third level education within a community setting. 'Women's Activism is a method of critical reflection, inquiry and action - always ongoing, discovering things, exposing things to open them up and taking action on them to bring about change'.

It is the experience of NCCWN Projects that, those most marginalised, with whom we work, have the clearest view of the effects of government policies on their lives and those of their families and communities. The initial idea stemmed from local women that were engaged in their communities.

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