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About Welsh Women's Aid

Welsh Women's Aid is the umbrella organisation in Wales that supports and provides national representation for independent third sector violence against women, domestic abuse, and sexual violence (VAWDASV) specialist services in Wales. Our membership comprises of 20 specialist support services. These services deliver lifesaving and life-changing support and preventative work in response to violence against women, including domestic abuse and sexual violence against children and young people, men and boys, trans and non-binary people, as part of a network of UK provision. As an umbrella organisation, our primary purpose is to prevent domestic abuse, sexual violence, and all forms of violence against women and ensure high quality services for survivors that are needs-led, gender responsive and holistic. We collaborate nationally to integrate and improve community responses and practice in Wales. We also award the Wales National Quality Service Standards (NQSS), a national accreditation framework for domestic abuse specialist services in Wales (supported by the Welsh Government) as part of a UK suite of integrated accreditation systems and frameworks. (More information on the NQSS can be found [here](#)).

Q1. Sex-for-rent is defined as landlords offering or providing accommodation for reduced rent in exchange for sexual services. Do you think that this description reflects sex-for-rent?

No.

a) Please briefly explain your answer

We do not believe that the definition of sex for rent is exhaustive enough and feel that it excludes many different situations where a landlord may not be involved, and in instances where a place to sofa surf is being sought and not longer-term accommodation. We believe that sex for rent often

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exists as part of wider exploitation and sex for survival, which is where sex is exchanged in order to meet immediate needs such as financial needs, accommodation or somewhere to sleep. There are numerous different individuals or organised crime groups that can establish exploitative 'sex for rent arrangements' which allow vulnerable women and girls to be exploited, or to be further exploited. There must be recognition that the sex for rent arrangements are used to exercise power and control over women and girls, in circumstances where they do not have any other option but to participate, in order to not be street homeless or to escape destitution. One specialist service highlighted that this also applies for women and girls in domestic abusive relationships where they are coerced into sexual activity in order to continue to have somewhere to stay or to ensure mortgages/bills are paid. The definition for sex for rent must focus on the element of exploitation and coercion and WWA believes that this cannot be overlooked. There must also be recognition that sex for rent is a gendered crime, with 98% of the respondents of the Generation Rent and Mumsnet survey being women and an estimated 200,045 women of experiencing sex for rent in the UK and Ireland, highlighting the disproportionate impact it has on women¹.

In our response, any comment made regarding sex for accommodation involves **all forms of accommodation arrangements** whether this is sofa surfing or temporary housing, in order to prevent an individual from being street homeless.

Q2. Which of the following scenarios do you think would be a crime? Presume that the person providing sexual relations is not otherwise engaged in sex work.

A person offering accommodation concealingly advertises a shared one-bedroom flat on a website and then an individual accepts the advert, without realising they are expected to share a room.

This situation constitutes a crime. The person offering the accommodation has purposely concealed the full information on the one-bedroom flat and has not made it clear that they would be expected to share a room. The individual accepting the advert would have done so, without being fully informed of the living arrangements. The intention of concealing this information must be considered and the lack of security and safety the "tenant" would have when sharing a one-bedroom flat.

¹ <https://care.org.uk/news/2023/05/concern-raised-that-cost-of-living-is-forcing-vulnerable-women-into-sex-for-rent> , page 6.





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A landlord advertises a room for reduced rent and an individual is then persuaded to provide sexual services for no rent.

This constitutes a crime. There is a power imbalance between the landlord, who owns the property, and the person wanting to rent the room. The reduced rent is likely to bring in individuals who are vulnerable, may have limited financial resources and would have not been able to afford the room at its original price. The landlord would be aware of this vulnerability and could then use their power to coerce them into providing sexual services for no rent.

A landlord openly offers a situation of sexual services being exchanged for accommodation, and a tenant accepts.

This constitutes a crime. As mentioned previously there is a power imbalance between a landlord and the person intending to rent a room. The individual may be cautious to decline an offer of sexual services for exchange for accommodation of the fear that they may be left homeless, and that the landlord may give them a poor reference if they wanted to seek other rented accommodation. Many individuals may feel that they have no other option but to accept the offer or may not realise that is unacceptable for a landlord to offer such arrangement in the first place.

A tenancy agreement is already in place, but a change of circumstances causes the tenant to offer alternative arrangements, including sexual relations which the landlord accepts.

This constitutes a crime. Even in situations where it is proposed by the tenant, there is still a significant power imbalance between the two. In the situation that tenant offers these alternative arrangements the landlord will become aware of their vulnerability, and accepting this offer will allow the landlord to exploit this.

If a landlord threatens eviction unless sexual services are provided.

This constitutes a crime. This ultimatum by the landlord will mean that an individual will have to decide between being homeless and agreeing to providing these services. The landlord will have significant power over the individual which would leave them in an untenable position and at risk of exploitation.

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Q3. What do you know about the characteristics and/or circumstances of tenants that are typically subject to sex-for-rent arrangements? (e.g., employment status, family status, immigration status, financial circumstances)?

As quoted by Alison Thewliss MP, during the House of Commons Offence of sex for rent debate in November 2018, Scottish Women's Aid highlighted that sex for rent is "an intersection of poverty and violence against women. You cannot address one without the other"². We believe that sex for rent must be seen in the wider context of violence against women, domestic abuse, and sexual violence and how this is routed in culture, narratives and attitudes of gender inequality, discrimination, and misogyny. The circumstances in which women and girls are found in sex for rent arrangements do not exist in silo. 32% of homeless women have said that domestic violence has contributed to their homelessness³, women are more likely to be poor and hit harder by cuts to social security and public services and poverty rates are significantly higher for those individuals from Bangladeshi, Pakistani and Black ethnic groups⁴.

The landscape in Wales has meant that refuges are having to turn away survivors due to the lack of bed space following the increase in demand, the cost-of-living crisis has caused households to cut back on essentials with those with low incomes most at risk⁵ and rent prices have increased by approximately 3.9%⁶. Many people are unable to afford the increasing costs, whilst there also being a significant lack of other suitable accommodation⁷. Over 200,000 female private renters could have been offered discounted rent in exchange for sexual acts at some point in their lives, with the survey highlighting that vulnerable women are most at risk of this form of exploitation⁸. One specialist service provider has coined sex for rent arrangements as being endemic for those women and girls living a transient lifestyle or who reside in non-permanent accommodation. Those who are already exploited by the sex industry, are often unfairly excluded from accommodation⁹, and may rely on sofa surfing or staying with acquaintances, relatives and ex-partners out of desperation of not wanting to be on the streets. A specialist service highlighted that the sexual arrangements for somewhere to reside may not happen from the beginning but can occur later down the line and the individual may feel like they have no other options or may even expect to be involved in these sort of arrangements due to previous exploitation. Another specialist service highlighted that this arrangement can also be offered in exchange for drugs, alcohol, and other forms of exploitation such as domestic servitude.

² <https://hansard.parliament.uk/commons/2018-11-28/debates/18112839000001/OffenceOfSexForRent> at 5.05pm.

³ https://farm5.staticflickr.com/4357/36197015982_164fca1e3b_o.png.

⁴ <https://wbg.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/The-gendered-impact-of-the-cost-of-living-crisis.pdf>, page 1.

⁵ <https://research.senedd.wales/research-articles/the-cost-to-life-how-soaring-living-costs-affect-people-s-health-and-wellbeing/>.

⁶ <https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/inflationandpriceindices/bulletins/indexofprivatehousingrentalprices/january2023#uk-private-rental-prices>, point 1.

⁷ <https://research.senedd.wales/research-articles/tackling-homelessness-a-mountain-that-can-feel-impossible-to-climb/>.

⁸ <https://www.generationrent.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Predatory-behaviour-in-the-Private-Rental-Sector-October-2022-1.pdf>, pages 4 -6.

⁹ <https://welshwomensaid.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Cross-Party-Groups-on-Housing-and-on-Violence-against-Women-and-Children-on-housing-and-sexual-violence.pdf>.

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There is a clear link between homelessness and domestic abuse¹⁰, and it is essential that Wales and the UK more widely ensure that survivors are able to access safe and secure accommodation to prevent further abuse and exploitation. Black, Asian and Minority ethnic groups are disproportionately likely to become homeless, with a much higher percentage renting compared to owning their own home¹¹. Marginalised groups already experience a multitude of barriers when it comes to housing, especially those with no recourse to public funds (NRPF) or migrants more widely. Immigration status leaves women and girls vulnerable to sex for rent arrangements due to their insecure status and the ability of a landlord to use this against them, to coerce them into these exploitative arrangements, when they are trying to flee abuse or violence. These women and girls face further barriers when trying to access support and redress because of the lack of funding within the sector, language, and cultural barriers¹². One survivor highlighted that survivors of abuse or violence often have nothing and are frequently destitute¹³. The Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants have highlighted that although there is no specific research into NRPF and sex for rent, anecdotally, it increases vulnerability since those who are being exploited by the landlord know that they cannot claim housing or homelessness support with ease. Landlords know that if a tenant complains about their living condition, or the exploitation, they can be reported to the Home Office. This power dynamic places those with NRPF in an extremely difficulty position.

As highlighted by Women's Aid Federation England, many women are experiencing increasing and exacerbated levels of controlling and financial abuse¹⁴. This financial vulnerability, when a survivor is trying to flee an abusive or violent situation may leave them in an untenable position of accepting a sex for rent agreement to prevent them being homeless. Beyond the Streets have highlighted how the cost-of-living crisis is also forcing many women and girls to engage in 'survival sex' in order to pay bills or other living costs, placing these already vulnerable individuals into exploitative situations¹⁵. Research found that those with household incomes less than £20,000 were significantly more likely to be subject to predatory behaviour, with 1 in 10 having been propositioned with a sex for rent arrangement¹⁶. Alongside these arrangements, many participants experienced inappropriate behaviour from landlords and letting agents, which further highlights that even if a sex for rent arrangement had not been suggested, 14% have experienced suggestive remarks and 12% have heard comments of a sexual nature¹⁷.

¹⁰ <https://www.crisis.org.uk/media/249186/2019-domestic-abuse.pdf>, page 7.

¹¹ <https://www.wcpp.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Improving-Race-Equality-in-Housing-and-Accommodation-.pdf>, page 6.

¹² <https://welshwomensaid.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/No-Recourse-to-Public-Funds-%E2%80%93-Welsh-Womens-Aid-Briefing-for-MSs.pdf>.

¹³ *ibid.*

¹⁴ <https://care.org.uk/news/2023/05/concern-raised-that-cost-of-living-is-forcing-vulnerable-women-into-sex-for-rent>.

¹⁵ *ibid.*

¹⁶ <https://www.generationrent.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Predatory-behaviour-in-the-Private-Rental-Sector-October-2022-1.pdf>, page 4.

¹⁷ *Ibid*, page 5.

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We believe that it is unacceptable that women and girls in such vulnerable circumstances are being exploited and coerced into providing sexual services in order to not be homeless. Even if this is not proposed, the research shows that many women and girls still experience some form of sexual harassment from landlords or letting agents.

Q4. What do you know about the characteristics and/or circumstances of people providing accommodation that are typically involved in exchanging sexual relations for accommodation? (e.g., relationship status, financial status)

As Julie James MS stated in 2018 during a discussion in the Senedd on the need to end sex for rent, "someone asking for sex instead of rent is not a landlord – they are a criminal"¹⁸. We believe that those who provide the accommodation in sex for rent agreements are executing power and control over vulnerable women and girls in order to exploit them. Research highlights that the level of sexual harassment experienced by tenants is high, and there must be a recognition that all forms of violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence are rooted in culture, narratives and gender inequality.

Sex for rent arrangements are overwhelmingly posted by men on websites such as Craigslist. Analysis of advertisements posted in London and Los Angeles found that many adverts had ambiguous language to dodge the monitoring system and 81% of the sample of advertisements contained sexual innuendos and language such as 'favours' and 'pay back methods' which suggest sex or sexual acts¹⁹. Many tenants would need to decipher what the advertisement actually meant and would already be in an unequal negotiation position, due to economic pressures²⁰. It must also be noted that it not just letting agents and landlords, these arrangements can be instigated by peers, ex-partners and organised crime groups to exploit or further exploit vulnerable women and girls.

Anyone who instigates these types of arrangement hold a significant amount of power over the individual, as they would be aware of their vulnerabilities and the different factors that intersect with this, such as being a survivor of abuse, having no recourse to public funds or having been exploited by the sex industry.

¹⁸ <https://record.assembly.wales/Plenary/5369#C146961, 362>.

¹⁹ <https://www.oii.ox.ac.uk/news-events/news/sex-on-craigslist-a-new-kind-of-housing-advertisement-has-popped-up-on-online-marketplaces-that-asks-potential-renters-for-more-than-a-deposit/>.

²⁰ *ibid*.

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Q5. What do you know about the circumstances in which exchanging sexual relations for accommodation takes place?

As highlighted in our response to question 3, the individuals being subject to these type of arrangements are significantly likely to be vulnerable and have very few other options.

Q6. Do you think these factors have changes recently, if so how?

We believe the number of circumstances where sexual relations have been exchanged for accommodation have increased following years of austerity and now the cost-of-living and housing crisis. As mentioned previously, the Women's Budget Group highlighted that women are more likely be impacted by cuts to social security, low pay²¹ and will find it harder to flee an abusive relationship if they are unsure how they will support themselves²². This places women and girls in a vulnerable situation where they may not have many different options.

As mentioned previously, those exploited by the sex industry are often wrongly excluded from housing, those with NRPF find it difficult to secure suitable and safe housing due to being unable to claim housing benefits and refuge provision are struggling to keep up with the demand of survivors requiring emergency and temporary accommodation. The homelessness support system has been described by the Salvation Army as a "mountain that feels impossible to climb"²³ due to the significant demand which is further exacerbated by a shortage in suitable housing²⁴, leaving many people in difficult situations where they may have to move into properties that they cannot afford.

Research by the Bevan Foundation has found that there is a significant lack of properties available at the Local Housing Allowance (LHA) rate (just over 1 in 100 properties)²⁵. This rate determines how much assistance a low-income household can have in the private sector, through the benefit system²⁶. However, this rate has been frozen since 2020 whilst rents have increased largely in the last 12 months alone. This has meant that tenants are having to move into accommodation that is not financially viable, move into poor quality accommodation or seek support through the homelessness system which is already at breaking point. Without this increase to LHA, many people will be forced into difficult positions, and they will be vulnerable to sex for rent arrangements in order to not become homeless. In 2018, the Work and Pension Select Committee identified that some women had turned to survival sex because of the way the new universal credit system worked, meaning they had

²¹<https://wbg.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/The-gendered-impact-of-the-cost-of-living-crisis.pdf>.

²² <https://www.womensaid.org.uk/the-cost-of-living/>.

²³ <https://business.senedd.wales/documents/s131441/HO2%2014%20-%20Salvation%20Army.pdf>.

²⁴ <https://research.senedd.wales/research-articles/tackling-homelessness-a-mountain-that-can-feel-impossible-to-climb/>.

²⁵ Wales' Housing Crisis: Local Housing Allowance and the private rental market in Wales, Winter 2023 - Bevan Foundation.

²⁶ *ibid.*

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to wait for at least 5 weeks to receive their first payments but still needed to fund their immediate needs²⁷.

It is fundamental that within Wales and in the UK more widely, there is a focus on increasing the availability of affordable housing across the social and private sector, to prevent vulnerable women and girls from having to resort to sex for accommodation. More financial support must be provided for vulnerable individuals during the cost-of-living crisis, and we call on the UK Government to review the LHA rate and the benefit cap to ensure women and girls are not left between a rock and a hard place, and therefore open to exploitation by landlords, organised crime groups or their peers.

Q7. The Crown Prosecution Service's legal guidance states that the provision of accommodation in return for sex may be captured by the following legislation – section 52 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (causing or inciting prostitution for gain) 12 and section 53 of the Sexual Offences Act (controlling prostitution for gain). In certain circumstances, the placing of an advert seeking to attract someone into a sex-for-rent arrangement may also be an offence under section 52.

What, if any, changes to the criminal legislation do you think are needed to tackle exchanging sexual relations for accommodation?

We strongly do not believe that the current legislation is fit for the conviction of those who coerce vulnerable women and girls into sex for rent arrangements. Only one person has been convicted under this legislation and this was in 2022. Shelter have estimated that around 30,000 women in the UK were propositioned with such arrangements between the start of the pandemic (March 2020) and January 2021²⁸. Both section 52 and 52 of the Sexual Offences Act requires the victim to self-define as a prostitute²⁹ in order to secure a conviction, which creates a significant barrier to any women and girl trying to achieve justice.

The law does not adequately protect victims from this predatory practise and does not offer any sort of accessible justice for them. Women and girls already face a multitude of barriers when accessing the court system, and there must not be further barriers within the legislation which will prevent those experiencing exploitation for coming forward. As there has only been one person convicted under the Act, this does not act as a deterrent for those instigating sex for rent arrangements as there is no strong precedent of conviction and no form of redress for the victim.

²⁷ <https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201919/cmselect/cmworpen/83/8304.htm>.

²⁸ <https://twitter.com/shelter/status/1345696456741695488?lang=en-GB>.

²⁹ <https://www.cps.gov.uk/legal-guidance/prostitution-and-exploitation-prostitution>.

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Q8. What concerns, if any, do you have about possible changes to the criminal law in this area?

We strongly believe that there must be a separate offence of sex for rent which does not require the victim to self-define as a prostitute, but this must not be in isolation. The definition of sex for rent must be widened in scope (as discussed in question 1) and there must be a commitment to address the circumstances which leave women and girls with a lack of options and leave them vulnerable to these types or arrangements. There must also be a further commitment to ensure that society recognises these arrangements as being gender-based and that there is an intersection between poverty and violence against women.

As discussed in question 6, there must be a commitment to increase suitable housing supply both in the social and private rented sector. There must also be an increase in the LHA rates, removal of the benefit cap and extensive support provided due to the cost-of-living crisis. In order to ensure as many women and girls receive justice, the UK Government must ensure that legal aid available to all, in order to reduce the financial cost of court being a barrier to those wanting to seek justice. There must also be long term commissioning of service provision to ensure survivors of this form of exploitation receive the support they require.

There must be sufficient reporting and data collection of sex for rent, as at the moment it is clear that organisations and services are not asking these specific questions, in order to provide the right support. Trauma informed training must be provided to all professionals, such as the court staff, local authorities and police, to ensure they understand the dynamics of sex for rent arrangements and the impact and trauma this can have on women and girls. There are significant concerns with the lack of survivors feeling able to report sexual assaults as it is significantly underreported, therefore it is essential that the criminal justice system and the court back log³⁰, do not act as barriers to reporting and there is a focus on reform in this area.

³⁰ <https://rapecrisis.org.uk/get-informed/breaking-point/>.





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Q9. Section 54 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 defines a 'prostitute' as a person (A) who, on at least one occasion and whether or not compelled to do so, offers or provides sexual services to another person in return for payment or a promise of payment to A or a third person; and 'prostitution' is to be interpreted accordingly. In subsection (2) and section 53A, 'payment' means any financial advantage, including the discharge of an obligation to pay or the provision of goods or services (including sexual services) gratuitously or at a discount.

a) Do you think there is a need to change this aspect of the criminal law? If so, please provide details on how.

As mentioned in question 8, we strongly believe that there must be a separate offence of sex for rent which has a wider definition to encapsulates the different participants (such as landlords, peers and ex-partners) in these agreements and addresses rental agreements, those who sofa surf and everything in between. We do not believe that women and girls who are victims of exploitation in these circumstances, should have to be defined as prostitutes.

Q10. What, if any, additional protective or preventative measures do you think are necessary to prevent the exploitation and harm associated with the exchange of sexual relations for accommodation?

One specialist service highlighted the severe impact sex for rent arrangements have on women and girls. Many are compounded by the trauma, whilst others feel it is a continuation of the abuse that they have already experienced. A lot of women and girls fear that if they report the situation they are in, they may be at risk of sudden eviction, the landlord may continue to pursue them for rent once they leave or that they will have little options once they leave. Those who have been exploited by the sex industry may feel that this arrangement is what they deserve and that it becomes "normal" for them as they are seen as vulnerable and in desperate circumstances. Specialist services have highlighted that these type of arrangements can further exacerbate ill-mental health and substance/alcohol misuse due to the trauma of the individual experiences. Many women and girls feel unsupported by the police and believe there is a stigma attached, this demonstrates the great importance of ensuring there is sufficient training for all criminal justice staff in order to ensure they are able to work with survivors in a trauma-informed, strengths-based, and needs-led way.

In the financial year 2022/23, where data was recorded, at least 53% of survivors who accessed dedicated sexual exploitation services in Wales required additional support associated with housing. There must be a focus on prevention, which would ensure that there is a sufficient supply of adequate and accessible housing for all, and that the barriers to housing are broken down to ensure everyone has equity of support and housing provision. The Welsh Government must fulfil its

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commitment to tackling homelessness and ensuring marginalised groups, such as those with NRPF, have safe and secure places to reside without risk of exploitation.

There must also be acknowledgement that sex for rent fits within the wider sphere of exploitation, whilst also acknowledging that where this is not present, there is research to show that many tenants have experienced sexual harassment from landlords and letting agents. There must be a way to ensure that tenants are protected against this predatory behaviour and that sexual harassment is not seen as a low-level crime. We strongly believe that all forms of sex for rent and sexual harassment by landlords and tenants must be addressed by the UK Government within their commitment to end violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence, in order to ensure women and girls are not traumatised or further traumatised.

Other preventive measures such as websites that advertise rental properties implementing Disclosure and Barring Services checks³¹ could prevent those with criminal records advertising rooms, however this does not keep women and girls safe from perpetrators who have not been convicted of any offence or arrangements that are made through peers or other means.

Q11. To what extent do you agree with the following statement? The level of support available for people who have exchanged sexual relations for accommodation is adequate.

We do not think that the level of support for people who have exchanged sexual relations for accommodation is adequate, as we do not believe that there is enough awareness of these arrangements by services, organisations, the criminal justice system, and society as a whole. There is little reporting and data available on this issue, which is further exacerbated by the lack of understanding by services which means that it is not necessary forming part of their housing, risk, or health assessments. Subsequently women and girls in these vulnerable positions are not being identified at the earliest opportunity in order to ensure they receive the support that they require.

There is also a significant barrier to accessing support as many women and girls may not believe that they are being exploited or may feel ashamed or scared to disclose what has been happening, due to fear of not being believed. This is further heightened for those from marginalised groups who have further barriers to accessing support such as language barriers, a lack of trust of institutions and a lack of understanding of their rights. Adequate and sustainable support is fundamental, nonetheless there must be recognition of the different barriers that many women and girls face when accessing this support and how these can be broken down.

³¹ <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-64728917>.





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There must be adequate data collection to ensure that enough services are commissioned to be able to meet the demand of those who need support, whether this is emotional support, housing support or support to seek justice. As mentioned previously, there must be sufficient training for services, organisations, local authorities and the criminal justice system, to ensure that women and girls are worked with in a trauma-informed, strengths-based and needs-led way and to ensure that wherever they turn for support or disclose, they are provided with the right support the first time. There must also be training on cultural awareness and intersectionality to ensure all experiences are understood. We strongly believe that ending violence against women and girls, in all forms, is everybody's business and there must be a whole-system approach to preventing and supporting these women and girls who have experienced or are experiencing these types of arrangements.

Q 12. Please describe the support you are aware of for those involved in sex-for-rent exchanges.

There are numerous specialist services in Wales that offer support for survivors of sexual violence and sexual exploitation, and in turn support women and girls who have been part of sex for rent arrangements. They offer both emotional and practical support. However there does not seem to be a specific sex for rent service provision. Organisations such as Shelter Cymru are able to provide support from a housing perspective and local housing options may offer support and advice but may not necessarily accept homelessness duty. Further support must be entrenched in all services, organisations, and local authorities to ensure that women and girls who are exploited are able to get support as soon as possible.

Q13. Are you representing an organisation?

Yes

Q14. If you answered 'yes' to question 10, please select which category best reflects the organisation you are representing.

Violence Against Women and Girls Charity

Q15. What is the name of the organisation that you are responding on behalf of?

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Q16. Have you provided direct support to people who have exchanged sexual relations for accommodation?

No

Q17. Have you engaged with any other statutory (e.g. police, local authority, health and housing) or non-statutory organisations (e.g. civil society organisations) on the issue of sex-for-rent?

Yes

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