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VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN LONDON

Presenter won age-discrimination tribunal against the BBC

Miriam O'Reilly, the former Countryfile presenter, who took the BBC to an employment tribunal on allegations of age discrimination, sex discrimination and victimisation, won on age-discrimination and victimisation.

The central London tribunal heard that O'Reilly, 53, was axed from the rural affairs show Countryfile when it moved from Sunday morning to a primetime evening slot in 2009.

The tribunal also heard that prior to being axed, one director of the programme said to her, "You're going to have to be careful about those wrinkles when high-definition [television] comes in," while another had asked, "Is it time for Botox?".

O'Reilly said that she was told that her hair had white roots and in one instance a cameraman brandished a can of black spray in order to cover it.

The tribunal ruled in favour of O'Reilly on age discrimination and victimisation, although not for the allegation of sex discrimination. Giving a ruling the judge said, "We do not doubt that older women have faced particular disadvantage within the broadcast media. While we conclude that age was a factor in the final

choice of presenters, we do not accept that this particular decision involved combined age and sex discrimination."

After the ruling she said, "It was hard to take on the BBC, because I love working there, and I think it is one of the best broadcasters in the world. But I felt I was treated badly because of my age, and standing up to the BBC was the right thing to do, however hurtful and stressful. I took this action because I wanted to work for the BBC, and I have been really impressed that they have apologised and come and said they would like to talk to me about future work.

"However, we have a long way to go with ageism in the visual media, not just in the BBC, but in the industry. We are seeing the changes and the start, but it's not happening quickly enough, and I hope this case and the stand I have taken will help that happen a lot quicker."

Skillset, a body which supports people and businesses in creative media, found that only one in 10 women working in television is over 50, half are under 35. Also last year, a study of Britain's main television stations (BBC1, BBC2, ITV1, Channel 4, Five, and Sky 1) found that while women were equally represented in soaps, overall, men outnumber women by almost two to one on TV.

Camilla Palmer, O'Reilly's lawyer, said, "The decision has huge implications, not just for the BBC, but for other broadcasters too, that presenters, journalists and others should be selected for their ability, not their age. What we hoped to achieve was to put a stop to onscreen journalists, presenters and others being sacked or treated less favourably because of their age."

Kate Kinninmont, from the professional body Women in Film and Television, said, "Does the audience actually care if somebody on Countryfile starts to get wrinkles? Is that something the audience can't cope with? Would it be too upsetting for the audience to see somebody Angela Rippon's age reading the news? It's OK for a man. How fragile do people think audiences are?"

O'Reilly was offered £75,000 to £100,000 to settle outside a tribunal which she declined.

Source: [Guardian](#) 11 January 2011

Man who sexually attacked a woman traced through Facebook

Alpha Gray, 30, of Holloway, north London, has been found guilty of trying to rape a woman after she found him on Facebook.

The victim, 27, who suffered bruises and a bleeding ear, said she found him on Facebook after he told her his name, age and the area he lived in.

The court heard that he followed the victim as she walked home after a night out before pushing her down and trying to rape her on the street. He punched her several times in the face before running off.

Prosecutor Gopal Hooper said, the assault stopped abruptly as Gray suddenly shrank back, repeatedly apologising to the victim and even offering his phone so she could call for help.

“She then went onto Facebook and searched for Alpha. She did find an Alpha Gray, an Alpha Gray who in fact had a common friend. Once she found this profile of Alpha Gray she then told the police what she had done on Facebook.” Later she identified the perpetrator out of a police identity parade.

Gray denies attempted rape, sexual assault and assault occasioning actual bodily harm.

He was found guilty by a majority verdict of sexual assault and causing actual bodily harm.

He will be sentenced on 11 February at the Old Bailey.

Source: [Evening standard](#) 15 December 2010
[BBC](#) 14 January 2011

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN THE UK

Millions of women with mental health problems

A recent survey of 2,000 women and girls in England and Wales revealed a major mental health problem amongst women in the country. Around two-thirds have of the once involved in the survey had mild to moderate mental health problems, equivalent to 15.2 million girls and women.

The definition of mental health problems used in the report, *‘Women Like Me: Supporting wellbeing in girls and women’*, includes low self-esteem, poor self-confidence and stress.

The survey, carried out by Platform 51 (formerly the Young Women’s Christian), showed a third of women aged over 18 have taken antidepressants. Penny

Newman, chief executive of Platform 51, said, "Millions of girls and women are facing mental health problems and they are telling us that they are not getting the support they need."

An NHS report last year also showed that about 20% of adult women in England suffered from a common mental disorder typically depression or anxiety compared with about 12% of men.

According to the study those identified as having mental health problems attempt to cope with their distress in damaging ways. More than a quarter regularly drink too much and many isolate themselves from friends and family. Almost a half had not left their homes for a long period and more than a quarter had lost friends. One in five had built up debt and one in 10 had self-harmed.

It also states that almost 30% had been emotionally or physically abused, one in four of whom admitted having felt suicidal as a result. Around one in three women with low-level mental health problems have never sought professional help and of those who did seek help, almost two thirds felt doctors were too ready to prescribe drugs.

One in three women don't get any professional help when they face mental health problems since many were scared of being judged, being ignored or not being taken seriously. Often they felt that their problems were not serious enough to be worthy of any support.

Newman said, "Our study reveals generations of women in crisis, women are often the linchpins of their families and their communities, and if three in five of them aren't meeting their potential, they lose out, their family and friends lose out and so does the wider society."

In light with the fact that 82% of women felt it was important to have access to women-only services, the report strongly recommends the need for such services where women could feel confident, valued and safe.

Platform 51 calls for an immediate and comprehensive review of the support offered to girls and women experiencing these problems.

To access the full report click [here](#)

Update making abortion procedure easier sought from High Court

The British Pregnancy Advisory Service (BPAS), the UK's biggest abortion provider, is seeking a High Court ruling to update the interpretation of the 1967 Abortion Act to allow women to take the second dose of tablets for an early medical abortion (EMA) at home.

BPAS says the UK should follow other countries, like the US, France and Sweden, in allowing women to safely complete their terminations without repeated visits to a clinic. However, the Department of Health will contest the legal action which is scheduled for January 28.

The provider argues that women suffer unnecessary anxiety about having an abortion on their way home from the clinic, especially those who have travelled long distances or who use public transport.

Dr Patricia Lohr, medical director of BPAS, said a second visit to the clinic is "medically unnecessary". "Most women prefer to go home because it's a private setting, it's comfortable, they can have their friends with them, they can have their family with them, they can have their partner."

A spokeswoman from the Department of Health said it was a matter for the courts to decide. She said, "It is the Government's view that the words 'any treatment for the termination of pregnancy' under Section 1(3) of the Abortion Act 1967 cover both the prescription and the administration of the drugs used in abortion.

"In the Government's view, this means that both tablets used for medical abortion must be administered on premises which have been approved under the Abortion Act. For this reason, the Government is contesting this case."

Source: [Evening Standard](#) 13 January 2011

Yorkshire Ripper will die in jail, court rules

The Court of Appeal rejected an appeal and ruled Peter Sutcliffe also called the "Yorkshire Ripper", one of Britain's most notorious serial killers, must spend the rest of his life in jail.

Sutcliffe was convicted and received 20 life sentences in 1981 of murdering 13 women and attempting to murder seven others in Yorkshire and in Manchester.

He appealed to the High Court last year to have a minimum term set to give him a chance for parole. That was rejected by a panel of three judges at the Court of Appeal.

Lord Igor, the head of England's judiciary and one of the panel, said, "Each of the attempted murders, as well as each of the murder offences, taken on its own was a dreadful crime of utmost brutality. Taking all the offences together, we have been considering an accumulation of criminality of exceptional magnitude which went far beyond the legislative criteria for a whole-life order.

"Even accepting that an element of mental disturbance was intrinsic to the commission of these crimes, the interests of justice require nothing less than a whole-life order. That is the only available punishment proportionate to these crimes."

Source: [AFP](#) 14 January 2011

INTERNATIONAL VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

At least eight soldiers arrested for rape in DRC

According to the UN mission in DR Congo, at least eight government soldiers, including a senior officer, have been arrested on suspicion of rape and looting.

In August last year more than 300 women, men and children were raped by a coalition of rebel groups in Luvungi in North Kivu within miles of a UN base and UN troops were criticised for failing to stop mass rape by rebels.

Medecins Sans Frontieres, a medical charity, said it had treated more than 30 raped women after the attack and provided them with drugs to reduce the risk of HIV-infection. The women were beaten with rifle butts, tied up with ropes or sexually assaulted in front of their children.

The soldiers arrested are accused of having raped at least 13 women in Fizi town in the east of the country earlier this month.

Eastern DRC has become notorious for the sexual abuse of women and girls. The army has been accused of abuses but arrests have been rare.

Source: [BBC](#) 13 January 2010

Activist of the Ciudad Juarez killings in Mexico murdered

Susana Chavez, a Mexican activist who led protests against the unsolved killings of hundreds of women in Ciudad Juarez has been murdered.

More than 300 women were murdered in Ciudad Juarez in a wave of violence in the 1990's. Many of the killings are believed to have been sexually motivated.

Chavez, 36, was active in an organisation called May Our Daughters Return Home, which represents the families and friends of the killed women.

Her slogan, "Not One More Death", became popular at protests against the Ciudad Juarez killings and the failure of the police to solve them.

Chavez was found strangled and with one hand cut off. Officials say her murder was not related to her activism.

Amnesty International said her killing was another sign that violence against women was again on the rise in the city.

Ciudad Juarez is the most violent city in Mexico, with 3,100 people killed in 2010 out of a population of more than a million.

Source: [BBC](#) 12 January 2010

Another human rights lawyer jailed in Iran

Nasrin Sotoudeh, a human rights lawyer, has been sentenced to 11 years in prison by Iran's judicial authorities.

She is also barred from practicing law or leaving the country for 20 years after being found guilty of "acting against national security" and of "propaganda against the regime."

Shirin Ebadi from the Wall Street Journal who is also a friend of Sotoudeh said, "Nasrin's only crime has been her passionate defense of Iran's most legally vulnerable citizens: juvenile offenders facing the death penalty, human rights campaigners, and prisoners of conscience."

Ebadi said after the contested presidential election of 2009, she took on the widely publicized case of Arash Rahmanipour, a young man who was arrested and later executed for his alleged involvement in unrest following the election. Sotoudeh has argued Rahmanipour confessed only after Iranian authorities made threats against his family.

In September last year she was arrested and officials offered to release her if she participated in a televised confession of her guilt and speak out against other colleagues. She declined.

According to Ebadi one of the officials said to her, "I will ensure that you stay in prison for over 10 years, and that by the time you're released your three-year-old son will have grown into a man taller than you."

She said she is in solitary confinement and speaks to her husband only once a month, from behind a glass window and through a phone that is monitored by prison officials. However she has been refused of seeing her two small children.

A revolutionary court has summoned her husband and her attorney, Nasrin Ghanavi, and threatened to charge them as well.

She has protested the unfair trial and plans to appeal.

Source: [WLUML](#) 13 January 2010

EVENTS

Amnesty International – Book Launch

The Whistleblower: sex trafficking, military contractors, and one woman's fight for justice

Date: Tue 25 January 2011 - 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Kathryn Bolkovac served as an International Police Task Force human rights investigator in Bosnia, where she headed the gender affairs unit. At great personal risk, she began to unravel the ugly truth about officers involved in human trafficking and forced prostitution and their connections to private mercenary contractors, the UN, and US State Department. Soon, she was demoted, then fired.

She was threatened and forced to flee the country under cover of darkness - bringing incriminating documents with her. Thanks to the evidence she had collected, Kathryn won a lawsuit against private military contractor DynCorp, exposing their actions.

Kathryn will talk about her experiences and then take questions from the audience.

Copies of the book will be on sale.

To book a place please visit the following website

http://www.amnesty.org.uk/events_booking.asp?ID=1735&#booking

London Metropolitan University

Human rights and social justice seminars – 26 January - 7 July 2011

The Human Rights and Social Justice Research Institute at London Metropolitan University is holding a series of public seminars to debate the value of human rights standards and principles as a means of scrutinising the impact of public policy, identifying its true cost and, where necessary, proposing alternatives.

The series will also explore what it means in practice to integrate equality and human rights approaches in legal, policy and political responses to austerity. Speakers at the fifth seminar in May on 'Integrating human rights and equality in responses to austerity' include Professor Sandra Fredman, University of Oxford and Sarah Spencer CBE, Chair, Equality and Diversity Forum.

The registration fee for each seminar is £5, payable on the door, which includes a glass of wine.

For more information and to book a place click [here](#).

Eaves' Scarlet Centre

January - March 2011 Workshops and Events

The Scarlet Centre runs courses and events every week. All courses are free and open to women who live and work in London. These courses are not for training staff but for supporting women.

Some of the workshops are around:

- Post Depression Support Group
- Save-a-Life First Aid training
- Confidence Building & Self-Esteem
- Fears about rent arrears
- Exiting Prostitution & Sexual Violence
- 'Recovery – Hope and Choice' Film screening and discussion
- Positive Change - A workshop looking at how to bring about positive change in your life.
- Start your own business

For full information on the workshops and to attend please call the Scarlet Centre on 0207 840 7142 or emailing advice_centre@eaveshousing.co.uk.

It is advisable to book in advance, as some workshops are very popular and there may not be space on the day if they come without booking.

Eaves

Workshops! Prostitution, exit strategies and good practice in supporting women.

Eaves is running a series of workshops for borough-level statutory agencies and voluntary service providers who focus on prostitution. The aim is to equip attendees with the knowledge required to assist individuals who want to leave prostitution – including victims of trafficking – through facilitating access to appropriate services. Workshops will be run over a day and a half, attendees are expected to attend both days.

Cost: £150 (statutory) or £110 (voluntary)

Dates in February and March 2011

For more information on dates and workshop contact Louise Jenkins 0207 840 7103 or Louise.jenkins@eaveshousing.co.uk

DIRECT ACTIONS, CAMPAIGNS & RESOURCES

Rights of Women

10 Minutes to Save Legal Aid!

As you may know, the Ministry of Justice is proposing to make a number of changes to legal aid which will have significant negative effects on women, particularly women experiencing violence including:

- Changing the legal aid scheme so the legal aid will no longer be available to deal with certain types of legal problems including private children law, financial relief, immigration law and welfare benefits law. Those with problems in these areas of law will have to pay privately for advice, seek advice from charities or other organisations or represent themselves.
- Limiting the availability of legal aid in relation to debt and housing so that it will only be available when a person's home is immediately at risk.
- Changing the rules on eligibility to make it more difficult to qualify for legal aid (including for those on welfare benefits) and to increase the level of financial contributions to legal fees that have to be made by those who are still eligible.

- Reducing the amounts paid to lawyers (this will further reduce the number of providers doing legally aided work).
- Changing how legally aided legal advice is accessed so that women would no longer be able to approach solicitors directly for advice. Instead there will be a single point of access to legally aided legal advice through a telephone line.

Rights of Women will be campaigning against the changes and is developing a template consultation response with the **Women's Resource Centre** so that women's organisations and other groups can make their views on the proposals known (this will be circulated in late January 2011). We need your help to do this.

Please complete the relevant surveys to you; you can complete more than one. For example, you may be a professional working on violence against women issues (such as a outreach worker or social worker) who has also has individual experience of dealing with a legal problem. Each survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete.

- Survey for individual women <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KVPG3X6>
- Survey for professionals who respond to violence against women issues <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZHWGLMD>
- Survey for legal professionals <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VV3KD3Z>

Rights of Women will also be holding a **seminar and debate in London on Thursday 3 February 2011** to provide an opportunity for women's groups and other interested voluntary and statutory sector organisations to engage in a question and answer session on the current proposals and the potential impact of the proposed changes on women's access to justice. This event will equip participants with a better understanding of the way that the proposed changes will impact on women's access to justice, and provide a forum for discussion about how to most effectively respond to the consultation.

Further details, including how to book, will be on the Rights of Women website shortly: <http://www.rightsofwomen.org.uk/current.php>.

CAWN

New toolkit on Violence against Women and Girls

The UK Gender and Development Network (GADN), of which CAWN is a member, has published a fascinating booklet entitled '*Violence Against Women and Girls: Your Questions, our Answers*', as part of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence' (25th Nov - 10th Dec). This will be a great tool for campaigning and for anyone who would like to know more about violence and how it affects women and girls around the world.

The booklet is now available to download from CAWN's website (www.cawn.org), or by [clicking here](#).

Questionnaire - Exploring the category of gender within hate crime policy

Deadline: 12th February 2011.

In Britain the government has created legislation and policy designed to combat different forms of hate crime. It mandates that crimes which might be motivated by prejudice should be punished more harshly and that the victim should receive a higher standard of care.

The victim categories included in current hate crime policy are race, religion, sexual orientation and disability. To date, there has been little discussion about the merits of including gender within hate crime legislation. This questionnaire seeks to find about the potential for such an approach, and the limitations.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2XZXM3M>

TRAINING

WRC & EHRC

Using CEDAW in the UK

The Women's Resource Centre (WRC) and Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) are running FREE regional training on the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) in February 2011 in **Birmingham, Manchester and Newcastle**.

Further information and booking forms please visit the following websites:

- **Cardiff - Thursday 3rd February 2011**
http://www.wrc.org.uk/training_events/cedaw_events/using_cedaw_in_the_uk_cardiff.aspx
- **Birmingham - Thursday 10th February 2011**
http://www.wrc.org.uk/training_events/cedaw_events/using_cedaw_in_the_uk_birmingham.aspx

- **Manchester - Wednesday 16th February 2011**
http://www.wrc.org.uk/training_events/cedaw_events/using_cedaw_in_the_uk_manchester.aspx
- **Newcastle - Friday 25th February 2011**
http://www.wrc.org.uk/training_events/cedaw_events/using_cedaw_in_the_uk_newcastle.aspx

For more information, please contact Charlotte Gage at the Women's Resource Centre on charlotte@wrc.org.uk or call 020 7324 3042.

WRC training for the New Year

Our programme of FREE sustainable funding trainings is designed to support you as women's organisations to explore different types of funding for your organisation could access.

Upcoming trainings include:

- Partnerships: getting off to a good start:** 25 January 2011
- Commissioning: understanding the basics:** 27 January 2011
- Partnerships: putting it into practice:** 9 February 2011
- Social Enterprise: understanding the basics:** 15 February 2011.

Click [here](#) to see the full training calendar and email Sam at samantha@wrc.org.uk for details.

Rights of Women

New & Updated Training Courses – March & April 2011

No recourse? EEA national? The permanent solution - London 2nd March

Breaking the cycle: using civil and criminal remedies to protect women from violence - London 9th March

Protecting children from domestic violence: children and the law - London 16th March

Supporting survivors of sexual violence - Manchester 23rd March

Stop the traffic! Supporting women who have been trafficked for sexual exploitation - Birmingham 30th March

For more info contact the training officer: 0207 251 6575
training@row.org.uk

Further course details: <http://www.rightsofwomen.org.uk/training.php>

London Metropolitan University

MA Woman and Child Abuse – One year (Full-time) or Two years (Part-time)

The aim of the MA programme is to provide a comprehensive grounding in theoretical frameworks, research, policy and practice approaches to woman and child abuse.

The programme aims to develop your knowledge and understanding of all forms of violence against women and child abuse, including sexual exploitation, domestic violence, sexual violence and harmful traditional practices.

Entry Requirements: A good Honours degree in a relevant subject and/or experience of developing/delivering policy or service provision in the field. A degree in an unrelated subject and lower qualifications may be acceptable if balanced by extensive relevant experience. All applicants are normally interviewed, but importance is also placed on the statement of application. Applicants for whom English is not their first language must demonstrate sufficient proficiency in both written and spoken English.

To find out more please contact Maddy Coy Deputy Director / MA Coordinator on 020 7133 5024 or m.coy@londonmet.ac.uk or visit the website www.cwasu.org

Postgraduate Short Courses - Short Courses on Violence Against Women and Girls

These courses are aimed at professionals currently working in the statutory or voluntary sector who wish to:

- Conduct internal evaluation, monitoring and small scale research projects;
- Develop and extend specialist services dealing with child and/or woman abuse;
- Undertake policy development at a local, regional or national level where they have responsibility for delivering support and advocacy services, coordinating multi-agency for and/or improving the response of the criminal justice and/or health sectors
- Deliver government and/or agency policy commitments with respect to

Safeguarding Children, addressing domestic violence, rape, FGM, forced marriage, sexual exploitation and other forms of violence against women.

This course will focus on forms of sexual violence in child and adulthood including:

- sexual abuse in childhood
- rape and sexual assault of adults
- sexual exploitation including pornography
- prostitution
- trafficking and other aspects of the sex industry
- sexual harassment

The course will be delivered over 6 days and the areas covered will be: definitions and prevalence; impacts and meanings; legislative frameworks and the criminal justice response; sexual cultures; perpetrators and approaches to prevention

Sexual Exploitation of Children and Young People

The course will extend the student's knowledge base in relation to:

- sexual exploitation of children & young people
- definitions and prevalence of sexual exploitation
- intervention and protection
- managing perpetrators
- policy and legislation

Historical continuities in the form and nature of sexual exploitation will be examined, in a national and international context. The impact of sexual exploitation on the child or young person will be examined, and good practice in working with young people explored. Particular examples of exploitation will be analysed,

Teaching dates for the next course in the 2011 spring semester are:

Thursday 17th February

Friday 18th February

Thursday 3rd March

Friday 4th March

Thursday 31st March

Friday 1st April

Course Fee: £600

To find our more please contact Maddy Coy Deputy Director / MA Coordinator on 020 7133 5024 or m.coy@londonmet.ac.uk or visit the website www.cwasu.org

VACANCIES AND VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

University of Bedfordshire

Director - National Working Group (NWG) – Ref: NAHS3428

Fixed term post for 3 years

£37,839 - £40,119 per annum

The National Working Group (NWG) is at an exciting time of its development, funded by Comic Relief to raise the profile of initiatives and activities within the UK to prevent the sexual exploitation of children and young children.

The new Director will lead the NWG into its own independent status and will advocate on behalf of its members.

You will need leadership skills with experience at senior management level; fundraising and campaigning experience and demonstrate an understanding of the different political concerns and policy and practice needs of the range of NWG members.

This is an opportunity for a dynamic and empathetic leader to advance work to prevent the sexual exploitation of children and young people.

To apply:

Please download information and application forms from: www.beds.ac.uk/jobs
Alternatively, application forms and further details may be obtained from the Human Resources Department, University of Bedfordshire, Park Square, Luton LU1 3JU. Tel 01582 743376 (24 hour answering service) or email employment.opportunities@beds.ac.uk

Please quote reference number and job title. Please note CVs will only be accepted in addition to a fully completed application form.

Closing date: 28 January 2011

Interview date: 1 March 2011

Housing for Women

Director of Support Housing

Salary £47,000 - One year contract initially

Housing for Women is a leading women's housing association, providing innovative solutions to women's housing needs in the capital. We provide secure, quality accommodation and support for women and their dependants in eight London boroughs.

We are offering a varied and challenging role as Director of Supported Housing. This is a new post with responsibility for developing and securing the sustainability of our supported projects and provides a real opportunity to shape services to meet emerging needs. We currently provide refuges and ancillary services for women and their children rejecting domestic violence; accommodation and support for trafficked women and we work with women ex-offenders and their children.

To apply download an application pack from the following website www.hfw.org.uk or write to Sixth Floor, Blue Star House, 234-244 Stockwell Road, London SW9 9SP

Closing date: 12 noon Friday 28 January 2011

Housing for Women

Re-Unite Project Co-ordinator

Salary £32,000 - £33,000 - Three year contract

Our Re-Unite project provides temporary accommodation and floating support to women leaving prison, to successfully re-unite them with their children and resettle them within the community. We are offering a varied and challenging role as Project Co-ordinator. You will have experience working with women offenders and providing support to socially excluded women and their dependants. You will also have experience in managing staff and working with statutory and voluntary agencies.

This position is restricted to women and subject to section 7(2)(e) of the Sex Discrimination Act 1975.

The successful candidate for this position will undertake an enhanced CRB check.

Closing date for applications 12 noon Monday 31 January 2011

To download an application pack please visit the following website www.hfw.org.uk or write to Sixth Floor, Bluestar House, 234-244 Stockwell Road, London SW9 9SP

Housing for Women

Estate Services Officer (Caretaker) – Part-time (21 hours per week)

£12,600 - £13,500 per annum

We are looking for an Estate Services Officer to provide a quality estate and property management service as part of our busy, committed staff team.

This is a varied and challenging post. Reporting to the Housing Team Leader you will be the main link between our estate properties and head office. You will have good communication skills, an ability to juggle multiple tasks and be physically capable of using ladders. A full clean driving licence is essential.

Closing date: Friday 21st January 2011

Interviews: Wednesday 26th January 2011

An application pack can be obtained by faxing, writing or emailing:

Housing for Women, Sixth Floor, Blue Star House, 234-244 Stockwell Road, London, SW9 9SP Fax: 020 7924 0224 Email: info@h4w.co.uk

Central America Women's Network (CAWN) - Co-Director

CAWN is seeking new Co-Directors to join the Management Committee and support the overall management of the organisation as well as an exciting EU-funded development education project for 2011 which will focus on Women, Social Exclusion and the Media.

Co-Directors are responsible for the governance of CAWN and are expected to provide hands-on support to the work of the organisation. A commitment to women's rights and knowledge of Latin America, gender and development are essential. Knowledge of alternative media as a tool for development, or experience of managing EU grants or of working in the U.K. university sector on development education projects would be beneficial.

Co-Directors are expected to spend a minimum of 3-4 hours per month on duties related to CAWN and to be able to commit to at least 2 years in the role.

The closing date for applications is 21st January 2011.

If you are interested in the position please send a copy of your CV and expression of interest to CAWN either by post for the attention of Marilyn Thomson or by e-mail to info@cawn.org.

For the full description of the role and person specification please [click here](#) for the Terms of Reference or go to www.cawn.org.

If you have any information about new events, consultations, reports, campaigns, direct action, training, vacancies or volunteering opportunities, especially those with a London focus, that you would like us to consider for inclusion in Women's Weekly News please email us at:

Weekly_News@eaveshousing.co.uk

