



# MARCH 2025

## Scottish Women's Convention Monthly Newsletter

Dear Reader,

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our International Women's Day event, whether you tuned in online or came along in person, it was a fantastic day. It was wonderful to see so many women gathered at the Scottish Parliament to celebrate together.

If you missed the event or would like to watch it back, our live broadcast is available to view, by clicking here: [IWD Broadcast](#)

Check out our upcoming events listed below and join us again soon!

Best Wishes  
Agnes Tolmie, Chair SWC

## SWC Events 2025



Limited Childcare  
Spaces Available  
0141 339 4797

**Your Maternity Journey,  
Your Voice**

SATURDAY 10th MAY  
11am-3pm, Glasgow

[www.scottishwomensconvention.org/events](http://www.scottishwomensconvention.org/events)

### Your Maternity Journey, Your Voice: Women's Experiences in Scotland

Glasgow Conference  
Saturday 10th of May 2025  
11am-3pm

Join the SWC for an insightful and empowering conference, 'Your Maternity Journey, Your Voice: Women's Experiences in Scotland'. This event is dedicated to exploring and amplifying the diverse maternity experiences of women in Scotland.

Attendees will hear from a range of expert speakers on various aspects of maternity care, including:

**Jaki Lambert** – Country Director, The Royal College of Midwives (RCM)  
**Dr Isioma Okolo** - Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist

*More speakers announced soon!!*

This will be followed by a Q&A, where attendees will have the opportunity to ask any relevant questions. Following a free buffet lunch, attendees will also be asked to take part in roundtables, fostering a supportive and collaborative environment.

We hope to create a welcoming and safe space for all attendees and are aware that topics covered during the day may cause distress. Therefore, there will be listeners on hand throughout our event to provide support. Additionally, our event is **only open to women** to attend.

**Limited Childcare Spaces Available (Ages 0-14)**  
*Creche supplied by Big Voices Childcare Service*

Booking is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Call 0141 339 4797 to reserve a spot.

[Event Register](#)

### Women's Maternity Experiences Survey

Closing Date: 16/05/2025

Our survey is designed to gather insights into maternity experiences across the

country, helping us advocate for improvements in care and support. We would like to clarify that any information provided in the following survey will be anonymous; any identifying information will not be included in reports or publications.

**Please be aware that you may find the below topics distressing, if completing the survey only answer questions you feel comfortable to do so.**

The survey covers key areas, including:

- Fertility
- Miscarriage and Stillbirth
- Abortion
- Early Pregnancy and Antenatal Care
- Birthing Experiences
- Postnatal Care
- Improving Maternity Services

If you are unable to attend our conference, this is your opportunity to provide feedback.

[Complete Survey](#)



**A Blether on... Autism**  
Tuesday 1st of April  
12.30pm-2.00pm  
Online Zoom

This date marks the beginning of Autism Acceptance Month, which aims to raise awareness of autism and celebrate the contributions of autistic people across society. Autism Scotland estimate that more than 1 in 100 people in Scotland are autistic, representing a large proportion of the population. The aim of our event is to understand women in Scotland's experiences of autism.

We aim to ensure that all women can attend this event, so please get in touch via the contact information below if you have any accessibility requirements.

[Register Here](#)

**WOMEN'S VOICES, YOUR PRIORITIES**  
**LARGS ROADSHOW**

**Largs**  
Thursday 3rd of April  
Brisbane House Hotel  
12.30pm-2pm  
6.30pm-8pm

**Millport**  
Friday 4th of April  
Glass Room, The Garrison House  
12.45pm-2.45pm

Our roadshows are held across the length and breadth of Scotland, aiming to gather the lived experience of women.

Following each event, a report is produced which details the priorities of local women and is then distributed to the relevant decision-makers and attendees.

\* Free refreshments provided.

[Register Here](#)

## Publications

**Rural Delivery Plan: Vision, Strategic Objectives and Key Performance Indicators**



March 2025

**Rural Delivery Plan: Vision, Strategic Objectives and Key Performance Indicators**  
Scottish Government

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