November 2022

**Resolution Selection**

Dear WI Secretary

Each member is entitled to have one choice for the resolution they think should be discussed at the NFWI AGM 2023 at the St. Davids Hall, Cardiff. Full notes and voting slips are in the November issue of WI Life. However, if it is easier for WIs to discuss the proposed resolutions and then select on ‘a hands up basis’ at your meeting you can use this form.

Please remember the following:

* Whether voting individually or by WI, send your slip here to the SFWI office – **any votes sent to National WILL NOT COUNT.**
* If using this form, members who have already voted as individuals should **NOT** be included in this WI selection.
* Include the votes of all your members, not just the resolution with the majority of votes

Please use the table attached to record your WI’s selections.

Please let us have your votes, by post or email **by no later than FRIDAY 27th JANUARY 2023** at the very latest.

* Briefing notes were published in the November/December 2022 edition of WI Life.
* Additional supporting materials including detailed briefing notes, PowerPoint presentations, quizzes and videos are published on the NFWI website. [Resolution Shortlist 2022/23 | National Federation of Women's Institutes (thewi.org.uk)](https://www.thewi.org.uk/campaigns/resolutions/resolution-shortlist-202122).

*This form is also available on the Surrey Federation website.*

[*https://surreyfedwi.org.uk/resources/document-library-2/*](https://surreyfedwi.org.uk/resources/document-library-2/)

***Complete the form below clearly and make sure you add the name of your WI otherwise we CANNOT register your votes***

***This form must be to be returned to Surrey Federation of WIs via post to SFWI, 6 Paris, Parklands, Railton Road, Guildford, GU2 9JX or alternatively via email to*** [***info@surreyfedwi.org.uk***](mailto:info@surreyfedwi.org.uk) ***by no later than Friday 27th January 2023.***

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| **Name of WI** | |
| **Title of Resolution** | **Number of votes** |
| **1. Save our Water – every drop matters**  As global temperatures rise, there is a risk drought will become more frequent in the UK. This will place increasing strains on the UK’s water supply and endanger our natural world. The NFWI calls on government and water companies to work together to develop robust plans that would ensure the UK’s long-term water security, including addressing water leakage from pipes. The NFWI call on WI members to take immediate personal actions to value and conserve water. |  |
| **2. Women to women – turning over a new leaf in the lives of women tea workers**  While in the UK we enjoy our daily cuppa, the mostly women tea works who produce our tea struggle to access living wages, decent housing, sanitation or education for their children due to low prices paid to producers for tea. The NFWI call on UK tea companies and retailers to take action to fix the broken tea buying system to enable plantation owners to give women tea pluckers a fair deal so they can live healthy and prosperous family life they deserve. |  |
| **3. Online gambling harm: time for action**  Online gambling has substantially increased, resulting in a growing number of people being exposed to the risks of gambling-related harms. Current legislation is inadequate in addressing the hams caused by problem gambling and in providing protections to those affected. This resolution calls on decision makers to introduce update legislation and regulation to address these issues, and for increased support to be made available to those affected by problem gambling, particularly women and children. |  |
| **4. Clean rivers for people and wildlife**  Water quality in our rivers is shameful. Legally, designated bathing waters must be regularly monitored for pollution. The NFWI urges its members, the wider public, local authorities and Government to make, support and promote applications for official designated bathing sites on appropriate stretches of rivers in their area. This will be as instrumental to the clean-up of rivers as it has been for water quality improvement at coastal beaches. |  |