



BRAVE NEW ERA

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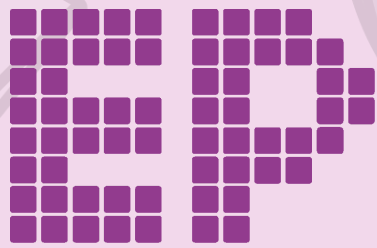
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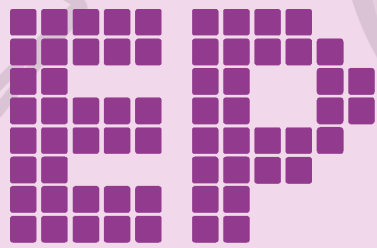
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Welcome to the first annual report of The Empower Project!

The Empower Project is an intersectional feminist, membership organisation supporting communities to end violence against women and girls. We became a charity in February 2017 and this report tells the story of our first year.

Our vision, the ultimate goal of The Empower Project, is of communities ending violence against women and girls. We see our role in that vision as supporting communities through training, networking, influencing policy and making available resources to lead change to end violence against women and girls. We continuously strive to be proactive, bold and accessible.

Over the past year, our work has focused on sex, relationships and abuse in the digital age, and the impact specifically on young people. We have worked to support young people to directly influence policy and practice around digital abuse. We are the only organisation in Scotland with a specific focus on participation, young people and digital forms of violence against women and girls.



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During 2017-18, we have been busy recruiting members and volunteers, hosting feminist events, delivering training to organisations across Scotland, and bringing in funding so we can carry out our work. As I write this, we have a new group of passionate, enthusiastic and dedicated trustees, volunteers and two co-directors all working towards to achieving our vision.

On behalf of all of us at The Empower Project, I want to send a huge thank you to everyone who has supported/advised/funded us over the past year. This is the start of an exciting journey for us. We're excited to have you along with us!

Emily.

For our first report, we asked our members to take part in a zine making workshop to tell us what they think of us. This is what they said.

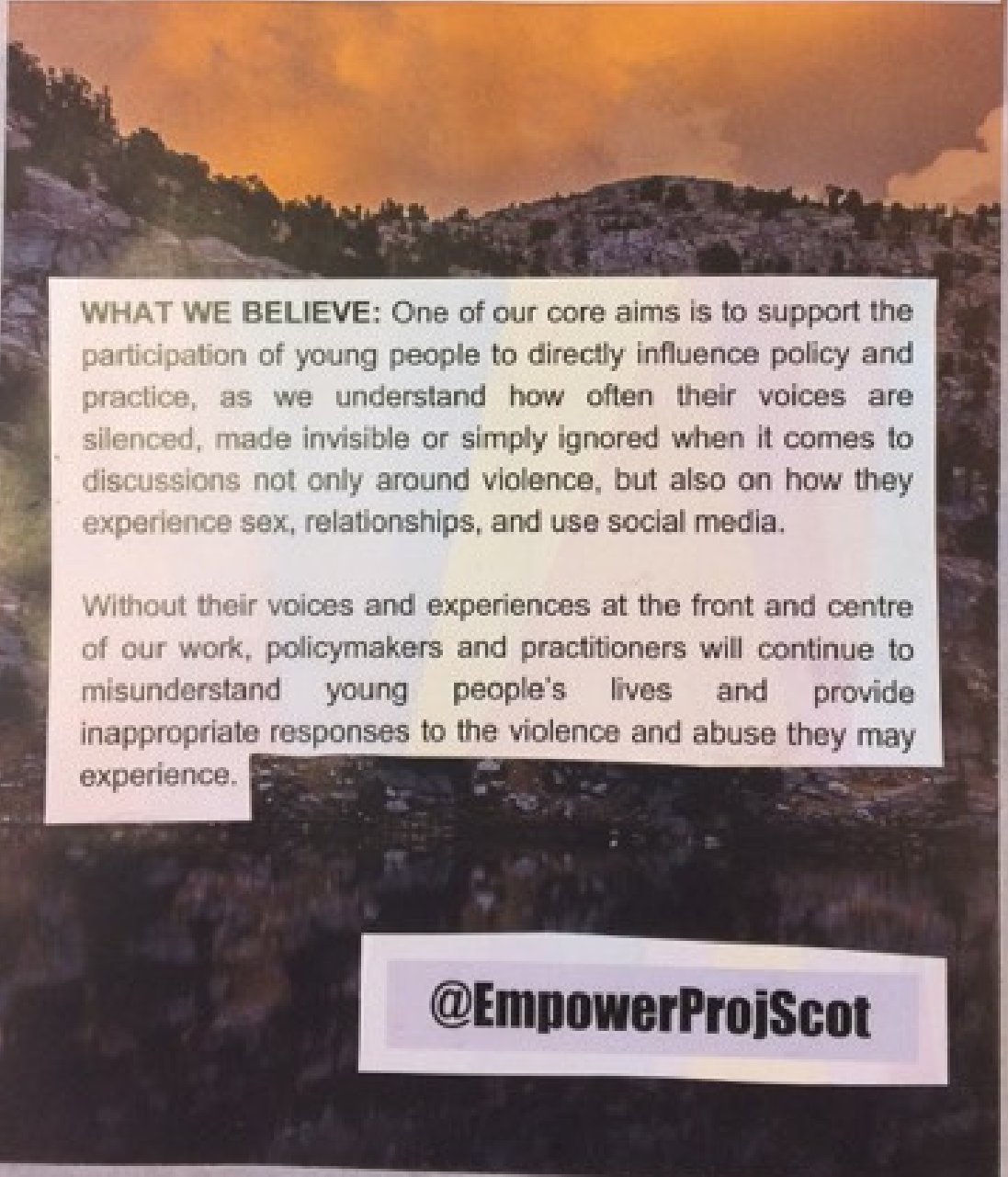
We launched in February 2017

EMPOWER PROJECT ON THE
BBC2/your living room

- We hosted two discussion groups in Inverness and in Edinburgh looking at tech abuse.
- We hosted a party and an alternative Christmas market
- We hosted a picnic to develop our strategy
- We ran workshops for 60 practitioners
- We took part in national and local policy discussions,
- We had a buzzing social media presence
- We went on TV and wrote for the guardian
- We launched a fancy website

SLAY ALL DAY

FEMINIST UTOPIA



WHAT WE BELIEVE: One of our core aims is to support the participation of young people to directly influence policy and practice, as we understand how often their voices are silenced, made invisible or simply ignored when it comes to discussions not only around violence, but also on how they experience sex, relationships, and use social media.

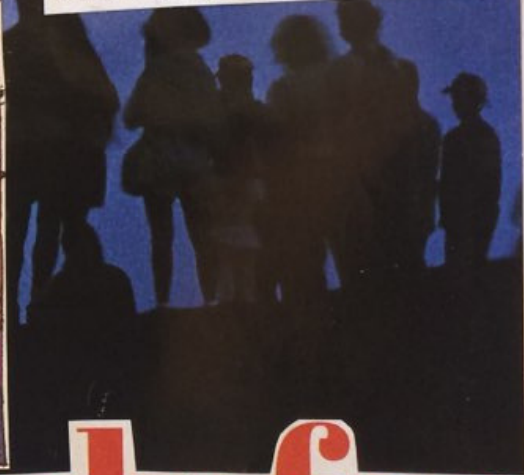
Without their voices and experiences at the front and centre of our work, policymakers and practitioners will continue to misunderstand young people's lives and provide inappropriate responses to the violence and abuse they may experience.

@EmpowerProjScot

RISE OF The new *GENERATION*



Grow and develop a bold, proactive membership that is accessible for all communities and individuals. A membership that has capacity to make change in their own communities.



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trained to be more
kind and generous.

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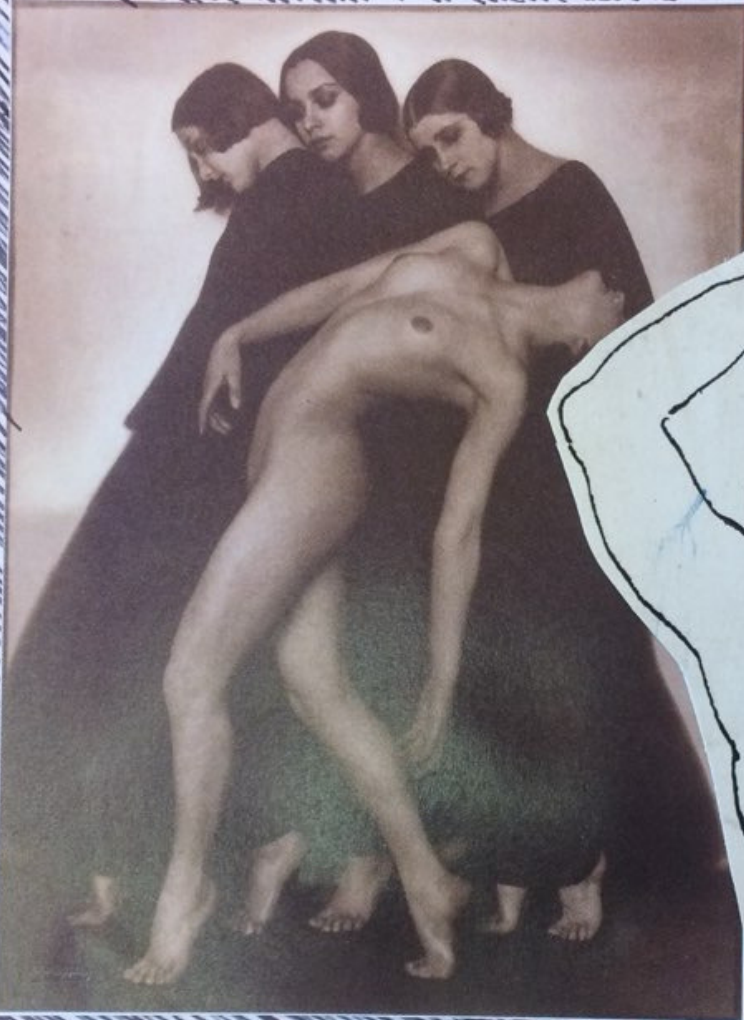
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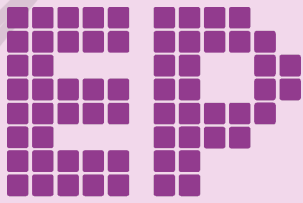
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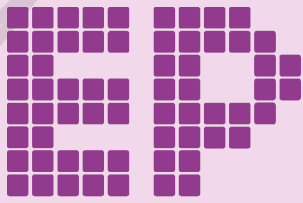
This is the first Trustees Report of The Empower Project, charity number SC047389, address 50a Brunswick Street, Edinburgh, EH7 5HY. The trustees at the time of writing are: Emily Beever, Rahuma Feist-Hassan, Moira Garden, Aofie Hutton and Julia Zauner.

Previous trustees from Feb 2016–Dec 2017 were Linda Rogers and Katie Scott. The Empower Project is an SCIO with a two tier membership constitution.

Our initial trustees were co-opted, and the current board are members of the Empower Project recruited by the chair, treasurer and secretary.

This report has been approved by the board of trustees.

In 2017–2018, we received funding from ScotRail, Foundation Scotland Express Grants and the Bailie Gifford Foundation.



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Our finances:

we raised £3463

we spent £1386

We finished the financial year with £2,077

For full break down check out our website and the OSCR page

Our thanks:

thanks to our supporters, members, board, founders, directors, auditor, friends and family.

Here's to another year!