**Women’s Resource and Development Agency**

**Position on Reproductive Rights and Justice**

As a feminist pro-choice organisation campaigning for equality, and linking with our vision, mission and the current strategic plan, the position of WRDA is:

* To support the decriminalisation of abortion in line with international human rights standards;
* To address the current inequality of access to reproductive healthcare created by Northern Ireland’s restrictive abortion law, which creates particular barriers for those who are unable to travel;
* To call for comprehensive sex and relationship education to be included in the statutory curriculum, as an effective strategy for promoting consent and healthy relationships as well as preventing crisis pregnancies;
* To support the protection and the promotion of health and well-being through public policy and service provision that meets the particular needs of women;
* To call for equal access to state funded fertility treatment for women living in Northern Ireland and for LGBT women;
* To promote economic and social policy that enables women to raise a family and to oppose welfare cuts that restrict women’s reproductive choices by forcing them into poverty.