

The Women's Idiocy Party

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In July, a new political party was formed in the UK, at least that is what it represents itself as. The Women's Equality Party is campaigning for what it calls women's equality. That sounds fair enough as well as thematic, does it not? Apart from the fact that women have long had equality in the UK; alas, what these airheads want is equality of outcome rather than equality of opportunity.

Here is its Führer Sophie Walker, or perhaps that should be Führerin or even Führer Person. In two and a bit minutes **she sets out** its six key goals:

- an end to violence against women
- equal representation in politics, business and industry
- equal pay and to get women out of low paid jobs
- equal parenting/shared care-giving

equal education – the same options as men
equal representation by and in the media.

Before tackling any of the above, the following points should be made. The *Married Women's Property Act* of 1870 followed by another **in 1882** (passed by all-male Parliaments) meant that all women could own property in their own right. Acts of Parliament in 1918 and 1928 extended the franchise to women. Nancy Astor took her seat in the House of Commons in 1919. The *Equal Pay Act* of 1970 eliminated sexual discrimination in pay rates between men and women, so women already have full political rights, and rather than there being a gender pay gap, it is actually illegal for employers to pay women less than men *for the same work*. As for education, in 2012/3, **women outnumbered men** in higher education, and this is a trend.

It is clear then that at least two of the above goals are specious. While no reasonable person would condone violence against women, this is not really a party political issue but a law and order one. Getting women out of low paid jobs is also admirable, provided these same jobs are not simply to be handed to men. Do men and women really want shared care-giving, whatever that means? And as for equal representation in the media, is she serious? Here is **the reality**:

"Most journalists are women. Most authors are women. Most teachers, lab technicians, therapists, editors, librarians, public relations officers and insurance underwriters are women."

More detailed figures can be found on the **Parliament website**. Don't these airheads ever do any research?

Finally, why should there be more women in company boardrooms? Public limited companies should be accountable in the final analysis to their shareholders. Before anyone, female or male, is taken in by the drivel peddled by the Women's Equality Party, they should do some proper research. Salaries are determined largely by market forces, in the private sector at any rate. If male soccer players are paid substantially more than female players, whose fault is that? If the women of Britain supported women's teams

rather than men's teams, the pay differentials would not be so great. And if so few women are elected to Parliament, that is partly the fault of women, but the women of Britain should not be blamed if they vote for intelligent male politicians instead of daffy female ones like Sophie Walker.

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