

**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES
2026 ANNUAL MEETING
RESOLUTION SELECTION SLIP**



Please fill in the slip below using **BLOCK CAPITAL** letters.

WI: _____

	Resolution	Number of Votes
1)	Accessible public toilet facilities to promote dignity, health and social inclusion.	
2)	Action on women's homelessness	
3)	Every child needs a friend	
4)	Love your Vulva – Self-checking is your best defence against vulval cancer	
5)	Nearer to Nature	

WIs should meet to cast their collective votes. WI Link Delegates will then vote on behalf of WIs at the Annual Meeting on 4th June 2026.

Resolutions that are passed at the Annual Meeting then become mandates and form the basis of campaigns and educational activity in the years ahead.

Additional materials, including detailed briefing notes, are available from 'My WI'. A brief explanation of each Resolution is given overleaf

***This selection slip is to be returned to The Federation Secretary, Office 8, Croston House, Lancashire Business Park, Centurion Way, Leyland PR26 6TU
BY Thursday 5th of February 2026 – Please ensure all votes are recorded***

NFWI - 2025/26 RESOLUTION SHORTLIST

1. **Accessible public toilet facilities to promote dignity, health, and social inclusion**

This resolution is a call for accessible, clean, free public toilets which are fundamental to inclusion and wellbeing, especially for women, older people, disabled individuals, parents and carers. It invites WI branches to take meaningful action—through advocacy, partnership, and community engagement—to support local authorities and civil society in reversing the closure trend and ensuring dignity for all.

2. **Action on women's homelessness**

The NFWI echoes the calls of homelessness charities and urges all levels of government to take action to reduce women's homelessness, reduce the number of women at risk of homelessness, and improve the quality of temporary accommodation. We call on WI members to support homelessness organisations in their communities and campaign to ensure that all women have a place they can safely call home.

3. **Every child needs a friend**

We call on all WI members, the care system, and government to raise awareness of the independent visitor system for children in care in order to increase the number of volunteer Independent Visitors and the children in the care system who are befriended by them. We want every child in care to be offered the opportunity to have an adult figure in their life who chooses to spend a few hours a month with them.

4. **Love Your Vulva – Self checking is your best defence against vulval cancer**

Self-checking your vulva is important in ensuring the earlier detection of vulval cancer and to enhance survival chances. We call upon WI members to work together to raise awareness of the importance of self-checking and seeking medical advice as early as possible, and, to help highlight this rare cancer to GPs to promote prompt referrals to medical specialists when needed.

5. **Nearer to Nature**

There is a growing body of evidence that getting closer to nature is of great benefit to physical and mental health as well as to the environment. This is called 'green health'. We call on WI members to work locally to improve access to local green spaces and support others to access it too. We call on health promotion services to increase public awareness of the use and benefits of 'green health', d health and care commissioners to support 'green social prescribing' in every GP practice.