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PLACING WOMEN ON TOP OF THE AGENDA

Farah London, independent London Mayoral candidate, announced today, on International Women's Day, a commitment to re-establish new women's centres in London. Under her Mayorship, Ms London will deliver dedicated premises to female community groups to allow charities and service organisations to provide much needed support. Importantly, the centres will provide an opportunity for women to gather resources and support themselves across a broad range of issues, such as employment and workplace advocacy, work and family, rehabilitation, entrepreneurship and business start-ups through to the impact of domestic violence, child care, healthcare, nutrition and support for women of ethnicity. Access to training will also be provided through the centres.

Ms London stated "It is unacceptable to me that, with all of the work we still need to do to help women in our city, we are seeing a sharp decline in the spaces made available for them to safely and appropriately do what they do best – support each other and in turn strengthen our community. It's clear the former Mayors of London, with their political ambitions, have not made this fundamental support for women a priority. Public authorities across this city continue to sell their freehold properties to realise short term profits and make up for careless spending elsewhere. All the while pushing these grass roots community organisations, that deliver a treasure chest of social capital, out on to the streets. I will turn this around. There are spaces available and where we need to, we will build new ones. As Mayor I will allocate the resources and harness the groundswell of good will I have registered across government and the private sector to rehouse our women's centres."

Ms London has commenced examining pilot projects to be developed in partnership with women's organisation across London. Proposals under consideration include establishing premises in easily accessed, central locations where they can provide maximum benefit. They will host training centres, co-working hot desk spaces, meeting rooms, multi-purpose halls, meeting rooms, kitchen, café and creche.

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The pilot project adds to Ms London's broader platform for women's issues as part of her Mayoral campaign. Which also includes the establishment of an innovate female entrepreneurship start up grants, designed to provide talented women with access to capital and mentorship from some of the UK's leading female business figures.

Ms London commented "yes these initiatives are focused on women and are for women. The benefits they deliver are however for the entire community and don't you forget it. Once the new space is up and running, once my new female entrepreneurship grants starts delivering, we will see families benefit and our male community benefit as well. Women have so much potential to contribute both economically and socially. With a few well-chosen projects even the Mayor of London can play a part in developing women's presence within society, to explore, create and develop ideas which raise the standard of living for all Londoners."

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