

PROTOCOL) Report

Date: 29 November 2012

Issues raised

- In terms of Gender and Governance, Kwekwe has been a polarized city.
- There are fewer women participating in politics because of the fear of violence often in reminiscent of the last election.
- Women do not support each other.
- Women are more confined to the home rather than in politics.
- Education wise the country is trying to bridge the gap between boys and girls as witnessed by the bridging programmes at tertiary institutions.

Responses and comments

- Let us change the mindsets of people so that women can participate.
- Men (councillors) should take their wives to council meetings so that they see how it is done.
- It is imperative that there are more friendly policies that allow for the participation of women i.e. early meetings so that they can go home and do other tasks as women are multi tasked.
- Let us consientize the community on the 50/50 as we enter the next election

Follow up/ next steps

- Need for councillors to break barriers in their communities by talking about 50/50 always.
- Let us go and read the SADC Protocol and understand it so that we can be able to talk about it.
- Let us support women so that they come into the political domain.

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Statistics by gender

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| Male | 20 | 60.6% |
| Female | 13 | 39.4% |
| Total | 33 | 100% |