

There is a new report called:

## Women's Rights are Human Rights: How the Bill of Rights harms the fight to end violence against women

The report was made by these four organisations who work for women's human rights:



- End Violence Against Women Coalition
- Rights of Women
- Centre for Women's Justice
- Southall Black Sisters



We were supported to do this work by 23 organisations and lawyers.



We worked **together** because we are **seriously worried** about some Government's plans.



The Government said that they want to take away an important law.

This law is the Human Rights Act.



They said they will give us a **new** 'Bill of Rights' law **instead**.





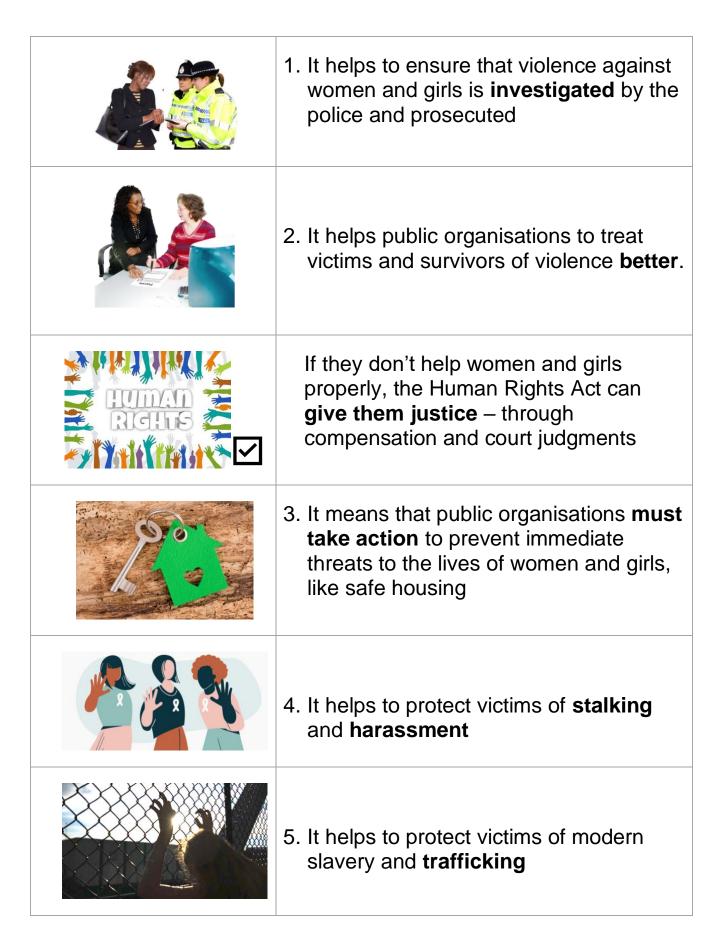
But we disagree with this new law



The Human Rights Act is **really important** for **protecting** women and girls from violence.



Here is a list of ways it helps women and girls who experience violence and abuse:





6. It means that **when women die** because of abuse, there is a proper **investigation** 



7. It **protects girls** from abuse in schools



We are **most worried** by the Government's plans because violence against women and girls **happens so often** in the UK.



Victims and survivors are often **let down** and hurt by the agencies who should protect them.



We are **also worried** by the Government's plans because services that support women and girls are already **having a difficult time**.





Things are **even harder** for services that support Black, minoritised, migrant, LGBT+ and Deaf and disabled survivors, because **their need for support is higher**.



These women and girls also face **more** barriers to support, including discrimination in public organisations.



Women in the UK who do not have **British citizenship** are at **high risk** of **violence** because of the actions of the Government's Home Office's department.





We know **things will be difficult** in the future, especially because of the **bad economy**.



For all of these reasons, we can't lose the Human Rights Act and the protection it gives us.



The Government says it is OK to **remove** the Human Rights Act because we can trust the police and other agencies to protect women.





We don't agree, because women's trust in the police and other public authorities is very low.





We ask the Government to save the Human Rights Act to protect women and girls.