

Citizens not Service Users

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Wales People First



Who are we?

- People First Movement – Oregon
- National Umbrella Body of self-advocacy organisation in Wales
- Disabled Persons Organisation (D.P.O)
- Only National LD organisation in Wales that is led by adults with learning disabilities in Wales

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Who are we?

- Led by a National Council of member groups across the 22 Counties in Wales
- Chief Executive with lived Experience of living in Learning Disability services.

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Self-Advocacy

- Best form of advocacy
- Ultimate Preventative Service
- Knowing your rights – individually
- Working together for political change

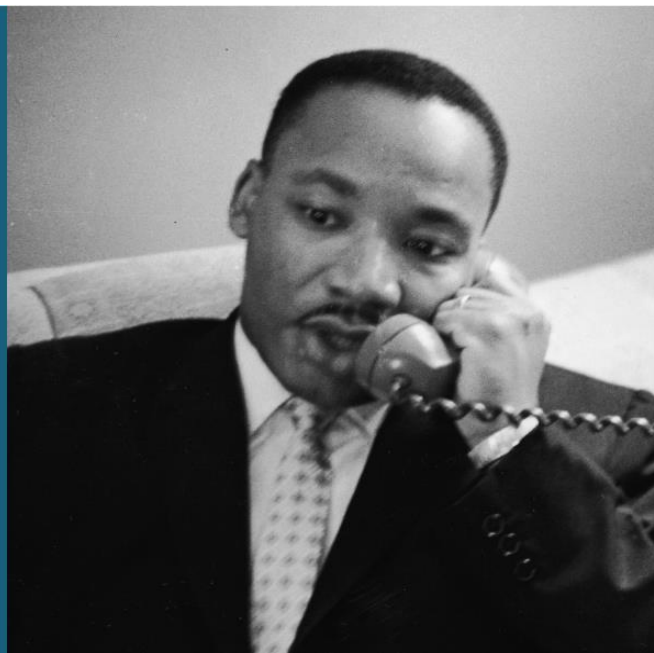


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“

Our lives begin
to end the day we
become silent about
things that matter.”

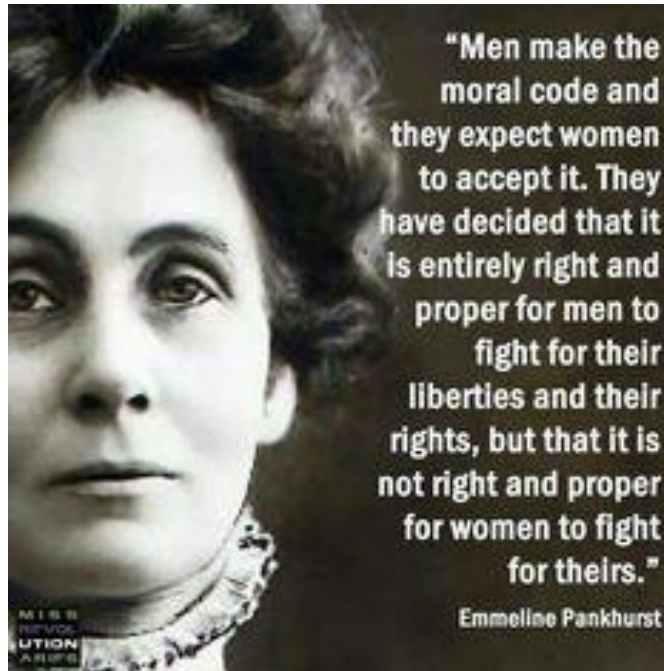
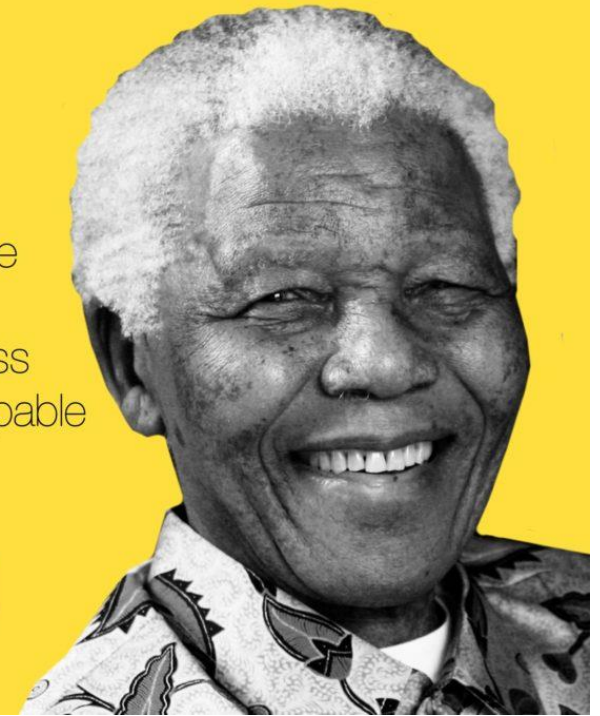
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“

There is no passion to be
found playing small - in
settling for a life that is less
than the one you are capable
of living.

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“Men make the
moral code and
they expect women
to accept it. They
have decided that it
is entirely right and
proper for men to
fight for their
liberties and their
rights, but that it is
not right and proper
for women to fight
for theirs.”

Emmeline Pankhurst

Self-advocates in History

The challenges our members face

- Being seen as adults
- Meaningful lives (Employment)
- Economically disadvantaged
- Isolation and Loneliness



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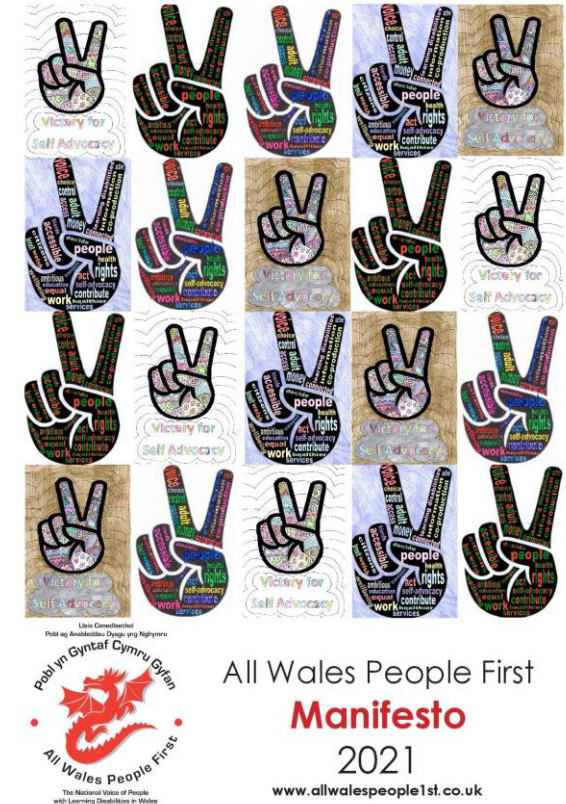
- Parenthood
- Low aspirations (Society)
- Health Inequalities
- Restrictive Practices
- Transport



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How we work together for change

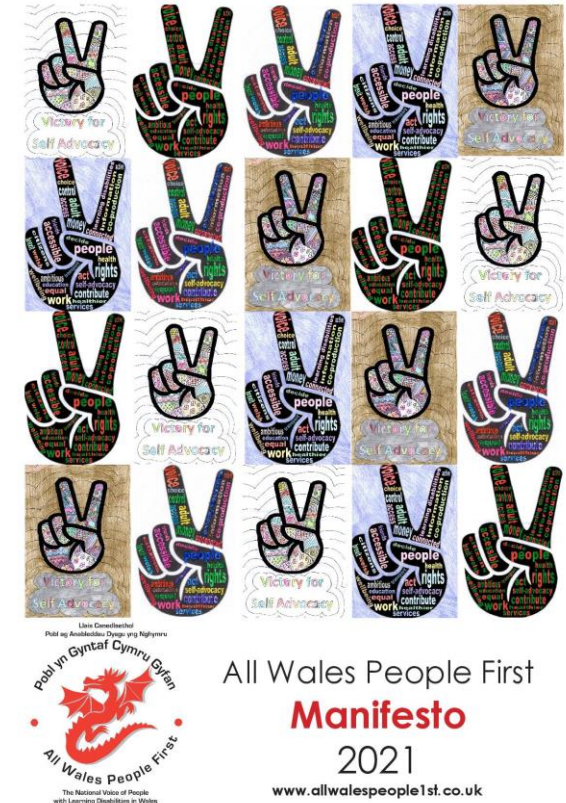
- Sharing our members stories
- Political Manifesto
- AdFest
- Regional Councils



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How we work together for change

- The National Council
- Member Engagement Forums
- Campaigning and Lobbying
- Consultation Responses



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Through Our Eyes Project



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All Wales People First invites you to the:

Through Our Eyes Celebration event

Sponsored by Jane Hutt MS

November 24th 2022, 2-4pm
at the Senedd, Cardiff Bay

Keynote speaker: First Minister, Mark Drakeford MS



We will be celebrating the stories and achievements of people with learning disabilities in Wales, come and join us!

Light refreshments will be available and numbers are limited. Let us know if you'd like to attend.
Email: admin@allwalespeople1st.co.uk

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The Challenges we face...

- Advocacy Grant Scheme
- SSWB Wales Act/ IPA Contracts
- Covid 19 Recovery
- Local authority cuts



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Thanks for listening

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