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 With the completion of the independent review of the Nottingham Maternity Service, how will you fix the maternal care scandal with attention to the disparity and additional risk for Black and minoritized women during pregnancy, labour and post-natal care?

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 Trauma can make us more vulnerable to developing mental health problems. Women who have experienced sexual assaults are currently experiencing astronomical waiting times to access trauma related support in Nottingham, leaving them at further risk of developing mental health problems.
 How do you plan to improve access to these crucial services?



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- How will you protect and support women's
   organisations and groups in Nottinghamshire, who are
   at constant risk of closures due to funding cuts,
   increase in running costs, and high demand? Women's
   organisations and groups are often best placed to
   deliver the right service, at the right time, to those
   who need it most, and need access to long-term ringfenced funding for this work in order to continue
   supporting our communities.
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- How would you ensure women who are at the risk of offending or have offended receive appropriate rehabilitation and support in the community rather than in prisons which do not meet women's needs or prevent re-offending? Especially for women on short sentences and considering that women are nonviolent offenders?

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- What actions will you take to ensure safety for women across private, public and online? What prevention and support strategies would you advocate for to ensure all forms of violence against women is eliminated and survivors can access appropriate and timely support?
- Many women are being prosecuted for their children's non attendance in schools or experiencing punitive approaches that are shown to cause greater harm.
   How do you intend to deal with this issue in a way that supports women and their families rather than punishing them? What actions will you take to support families and schools to deal with issues of school attendance for children who are struggling?

