This is a thread about a twitter account: @LGBTLD ("LGBT Lib Dems"). The Liberal Democrats are the third main party in the UK currently. Here is the account bio.

This description suggests that they are, at least partly, an account representing lesbians and gays. But if...
you look at the feed, you don’t really find much evidence of this. The feed is almost exclusively about the
eights and interests of transpeople.

Insofar as the account mentions lesbians, it is only in the context of insisting that heterosexual male transwomen (with male genitals) are ‘lesbian’. This view effectively erases lesbians (female homosexuals) as political category, in a world in which they already face stigma.

This Lib Dem account regularly misrepresents the views & actions of critics of its stance on gender self-ID. Here they contribute to a since discredited (by police, by all train companies) urban myth-style panic about ‘razors under stickers’ put up by gender-critical feminists.

Here they dismissing the documented concerns of those that work in the Violence Against Women and Girls sector, about gender self-ID and its impact on their specialist services, as ‘lying’.
Here they attempt to distract from concerns about putting genitally-intact males in women's prisons with non sequitur that 'cis women' (i.e. females) are 'overwhelmingly the main perpetrators' of violence in women's prisons (currently 25 TW in women's prison so not surprising!)

Addendum - note the absolute denial that cis women can be responsible for sexual violence in women's prisons, despite them being overwhelmingly the main perpetrators of it. Prison guards get a brief mention and then dismissed because, you know, the trans.

Women cannot commit rape. Rape requires a penis. Women in prison are not being raped by their fellow inmates, unless those inmates are men. I can well believe they are being raped by male prison officers, however

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Here they repeat familiar claim: that their critics are manipulated by the 'US religious right'. All of them. Including the Corbynites, trade unionists, section 28-fighters, Green activists, humanists.. all on the right! (including me! Go Trump!) Subtext: females are idiots.
Here they cite 'science' as source of info that 'transgender people are not a threat to anyone'. The actual verified claim of critics is that some small number of TW are threat (as males), and we should therefore keep female-only spaces, to limit harm to females.

According to this account, anyone who attempts to defend sex-class protected characteristics for females is a transphobe. Transphobe, transphobe, transphobe.
The name of former Cambridge councillor Sarah Brown @PublicGoat appears in one of those last screenshots. She’s a constant presence on this feed. In fact you’d be forgiven for thinking that main aim of the feed, other than to talk trans, is to support Brown’s political ambitions.

You may remember Sarah Brown from her action, whilst on Cambridge council as a Lib Dem councillor, to unilaterally rewrite Equalities law on council-owned property in Cambridge (an act applauded by this feed, naturally). @AnnMSinnott resigned over it.

A Labour councillor has resigned over a policy to allow transgender people access to women’s facilities.

Ann Sinnott stood down from Cambridge council claiming that the authority was treating women with contempt and was acting in “dereliction of the law”. She said a policy that resulted in single-sex facilities, such as toilets or changing rooms, being “abolished at a stroke” was undermining women’s rights and was a breach of the equality act.

The policy, which applies only to council property, states that “transgender people will not be excluded from gender-appropriate sex/single-sex segregated facilities”.

Although the policy came into force in 2010, concerns were only raised in June that its wording may be unlawful. In a letter to
As one of the previous screenshots suggests, those who run this account dismiss any concerns about differentiating between ‘sex’ and ‘gender’, and attempts to maintain sex-based protections for females, as talking in a ‘secret code’.

And when this tactic doesn’t work, they move to a new one: saying 'females' makes females sound 'like livestock'. Well, maybe, if you hate females. (Of course, this move is purely strategic. It’s an attempt to stop people conceptually differentiating male transwomen from women).

You know how Sarah Brown keeps popping up on this account? Well, you’ll never guess what.. she is widely alleged to be at least one of the tweeters on this account! Shocking isn’t it. She is also on the Trans Advisory board to @stonewalluk. Sarah thinks she is female, by the way.
The @LibDems love her. She just got an award from them, in fact, for services to women.
So I just want to know, as a lesbian, as former Lib Dem myself (before the drugs wore off): how on earth can senior Lib Dems continue to let this account speak in their name? Female voters see it. Lesbian voters see it. An increasing number of males see it too.

It makes you look like a joke. This is not an account which represents LGBT. It represents a small number of T (not even the transsexuals who disagree with Sarah Brown!). It doesn't represent the real interests of anyone who is same-sex oriented. It exhibits misogyny every day.

It trolls and ridicules female critics. It is a disgrace and you are too, for allowing it. Sort it out @jowinson @SalBrinton @vincecable @LibDems @LibDemPress @EdwardJDavey @amcarmichaelMP @thomasbrake @timfarron @Wera_Hobhouse

More gems from the archive. A ‘forward-looking, optimistic’ attitude to female rights: they don’t have any!
Dear @MumsnetTowers - just used the women’s showers. Nothing happened. #iAmNotARisk

9:20 am · 15 Sep 2018
3 retweets 36 likes

Hi @MumsnetTowers! Me again! They have gender neutral toilets here!

But I used the ladies anyway.

Nothing bad happened. #IAmNotARisk

4:41 pm · 15 Sep 2018

Would you be happy to see 50% of MPs made up of trans women and 50% male people - would that sort the gender balance?

We'd ideally like to see as diverse a parliament as possible. The one you describe would be a massive improvement on the

And let's not forget that they've stated that a parliament that has no natal women at all would be a 'massive improvement'.

See AssignedHuman's other Tweets
Junk Male
@JunkMale101
Replying to @c_kennaugh and 4 others
Sadly this is standard behavior- this is from the Lib Dem LGBT twitter...
7:33 AM - Sep 23, 2018
See Junk Male’s other Tweets

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FeministRoar
@FeministRoar
Replying to @Docstockk and 10 others
This is the chair talking about ‘terf baiting’ in response to a woman asking how to make a complaint.
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Woman tweets @libdems to lodge a complaint. Official rep & group chair responds in a totally unprofessional manner, talks about being drunk & brags about ‘terf baiting’. Is this acceptable behaviour?

8:14 AM - Sep 23, 2018
20 people are talking about this