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



LGBT+ Lib Dems
@LGBTLD

We are the Lib Dem party body for gender & sexual minorities, including lesbian, gay, bi and trans people.

📍 United Kingdom

🌐 lgbt.plusld.org.uk

📅 Joined January 2010

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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 rights 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'.



LGBT+ Lib Dems @LGBTLD · Aug 2

This from the horses mouth. If transphobes tell you that trans women are a problem for refugees etc, they are simply lying. Shun their hatred and spite.

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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!)



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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.



boodleoops ✓
@boodleoops

Replying to @rober1236Jua @tartanbobmckay and @marstrina

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

08/09/2018, 16:45

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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.



LGBT+ Lib Dems @LGBTLD · Sep 18

UK transphobe groups are associated through groups like Hands Across the Aisle with the US Religious Right. They _absolutely_ see the trans thing as a way into attacking LGB and then women's reproductive rights. Suspect they see the UK women they fund as useful idiots.

(Mx) Em Jackson @MxEmJackson1

Replying to @YoungLiberalsUK @NELibDems @fairplaywomen

It makes me wonder: once the issue around trans-people is done, one way or the other, will the next target of women's advocacy groups be lesbians? After all, can you "really" trust a lesbian around your women? You see, it starts with Group-X & then Group-Y and inevitably the Jews.

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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.



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According to this account, anyone who attempts to defend sex-class protected characteristics for females is a transphobe. Transphobe, transphobe, transphobe.



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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.



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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".

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Although the policy came into force in 2010, concerns were only raised in June that its wording may be unlawful. In a letter to

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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'.



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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).



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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.



 Sarah Brown  @PublicGoat · Jun 8

Yes I am. If you aren't female then kindly mind your own business.



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 Sarah Brown  @PublicGoat

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Replying to @PublicGoat @KJ_Harrison and 6 others

Let me make something perfectly clear: my primary & secondary sex characteristics are female. My blood chemistry is female. My bio markers fall in the female range. My birth certificate and medical notes say I'm female. However, that's irrelevant.

7:34 AM - 8 Jun 2018

5 Retweets 26 Likes



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The @LibDems love her. She just got an award from them, in fact, for services to women.



Jennie Rigg LLB (hons) BVC, large...

@miss_s_b

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Here are [@zoeimogen](#) and [@PublicGoat](#) holding their much deserved [@LibDemWomen](#) awards nominations



11:09 AM - 17 Sep 2018

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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 [@joswinson](#) [@SalBrinton](#) [@vincecable](#) [@LibDems](#) [@LibDemPress](#) [@EdwardJDavey](#) [@amcarmichaelMP](#) [@thomasbrake](#) [@timfarron](#) [@Wera_Hobhouse](#)

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[@SarahBrown](#) [@PublicGoat](#) · Aug 14

Aww, thanks guys!

Liberal Democrats [@LibDems](#)

Here's hoping Lib Dem candidate Sarah Brown wins this seat and strikes a blow for a more forward-looking, optimistic and open politics.

pinknews.co.uk/2018/08/10/pol...

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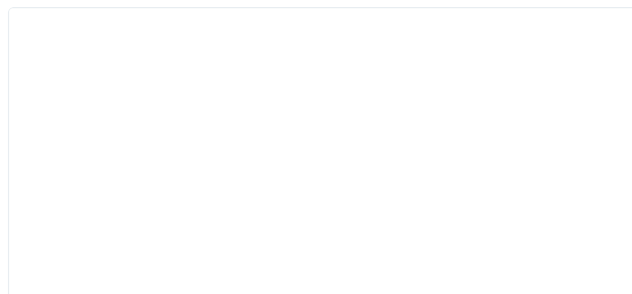


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