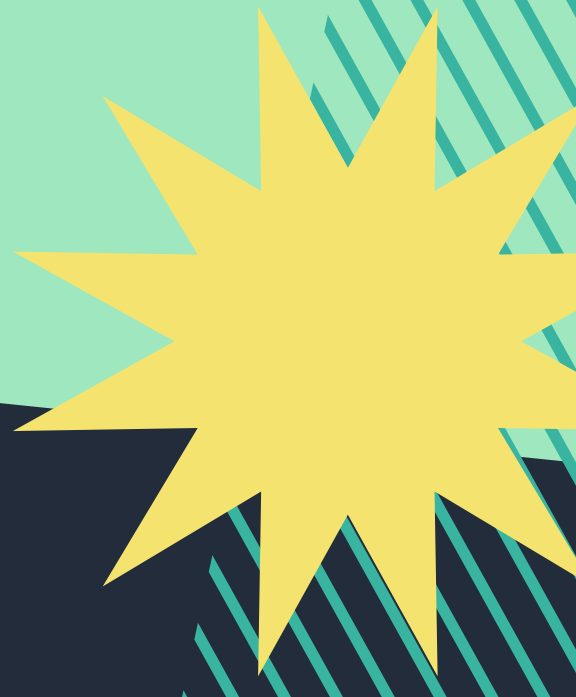


Shifting the burden

**Designing an enforcement
system that works for
young women**

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Executive summary

The ***Employment Rights Act*** and the creation of the **Fair Work Agency** present a significant opportunity to transform how workplace rights are enforced in Great Britain. This matters particularly for young women, who are disproportionately likely to experience unfair treatment and insecure work. As well as underpinning the successful implementation of the ***Employment Rights Act***, the **Fair Work Agency** has a vital role to play in creating workplaces where young women can build sustainable careers, remain in employment and contribute fully to the economy.

Our previous research found that reporting unfair treatment often fails to resolve young women's issues, and leaves them feeling unsupported, financially worse off and, in many cases, forced out of work altogether.

Too often, the burden of enforcing workplace rights falls on the very people the system is intended to protect.

Building on this research we invited young women and key stakeholders to imagine what a workplace rights enforcement system that truly works for young women would look like. Through an online survey, stakeholder interviews and a deliberative workshop, participants developed a shared vision for a system that is fairer, more accessible and more effective at preventing unfair treatment before it occurs.



A NOTE ON GENDER DIVERSITY. At Young Women's Trust we tackle sexism and misogyny, with and for anyone who has experienced this – including trans women and non-binary people.

We welcome all young women and people of marginalised gender identities in our work, and our research includes the experiences of trans young women and non-binary people. Whilst we aim to highlight the specific experiences of these distinct communities where relevant, for the sake of brevity we refer collectively to this group as 'young women' throughout this report.

FIVE INTERCONNECTED THEMES EMERGED CONSISTENTLY ACROSS EVERY STAGE OF THE RESEARCH

1 Holding employers to account requires independent oversight and meaningful consequences

Responsibility for upholding workplace rights should not rest solely with individual young women, but with employers, regulators and the state. Young women want the Fair Work Agency to be a strong, independent regulator with meaningful enforcement powers, capable of holding employers to account and driving lasting organisational change.

Almost half (45%) chose accountability as the value they most wanted the Fair Work Agency to embody.

2 Reporting must be safe, accessible and transparent

The reporting system must be straightforward to navigate, offer genuine choice in how concerns are raised and provide protection from retaliation. Young women want clear information, regular communication and confidence that reporting unfair treatment will lead to meaningful action and safer workplaces.

39% selected ‘protection from retaliation’ as the single most important feature of a reporting system that would make them feel safe and confident that appropriate action would be taken.

3 Knowledge is power: young women and employers need better access to information

Improving understanding of workplace rights among both young women and employers is vital. The Fair Work Agency should provide trusted information, practical guidance and targeted awareness campaigns.

4 A proactive approach is crucial for long-term change

A more proactive approach to enforcement, using data and intelligence, will identify risks before young women experience harm.

5 Lasting change requires partnership and cultural transformation

The Fair Work Agency should work alongside employers, trade unions, advice organisations and government to build a more coordinated enforcement system, while ensuring that workers’ voices continue to shape its development and priorities.

A relationship where the Fair Work Agency listens to young women and improves the system with them was the second-highest priority for young women – selected by more than a fifth (21%)

Taken together, these findings point towards a fundamental shift away from an individualised, complaints-led model of enforcement and towards one that is preventative, worker-centred and focused on improving workplace cultures as well as resolving individual cases.

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*Research participant,
Young woman*

“I think that if the system relies on the most vulnerable worker to enforce their own rights, then it’s always going to fail.”

Research participant, Union

Our key recommendations

FOR GOVERNMENT

- Ensure that the Fair Work Agency has the powers, resources and independence needed to hold employers to account, prevent unfair treatment and drive compliance.
- Fund a national workplace rights awareness campaign, with targeted communications for groups at greater risk of unfair treatment, including young women.

FOR THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

- Build a joined-up enforcement system by working collaboratively with other government bodies, trade unions and support organisations to share intelligence and target action where it is most needed.
- Improve access to workplace rights information and support through a single information hub, tailored guidance and practical resources for workers and employers.
- Design reporting systems around workers' needs, with clear reporting routes, transparent processes, protection from retaliation and minimum standards for employer handling of complaints.
- Support employers to comply with the law through practical guidance, training and resources.
- Take a proactive approach to enforcement, using intelligence-led inspections, meaningful sanctions and interventions that drive lasting improvements in workplace practice.

FOR EMPLOYERS

- Create safe, accessible reporting systems that enable workers to raise concerns confidently and ensure they are addressed fairly and promptly.
- Use workplace concerns to drive continuous improvement by regularly reviewing policies, culture and management practice, and investing in manager training.

FOR SUPPORT ORGANISATIONS

- Work in partnership with the Fair Work Agency to improve awareness of workplace rights and ensure workers can access trusted advice and support.
- Ensure workers' experiences continue to shape the enforcement system by bringing the voices of young women and other groups of marginalised workers into its ongoing development and evaluation.

Foreword

Do young women go to work knowing that someone has their back if they face illegal or unfair treatment? Currently, this doesn't seem to be the case.

Compared to other demographic groups, young women disproportionately experience unfair treatment, especially in insecure work. When they do speak up, young women may find themselves ignored or brushed off, with their concerns too often left unresolved.

This research seeks to change that.

We set out to imagine workplace rights enforcement that is fit for purpose, and explore how this can be implemented. We sought input from young women and relevant stakeholders, including policymakers, human resources professionals, trade union representatives, and legal advisers. By bringing a wide variety of views to the table, we hope to surface viable ways forward.

This research report synthesises research participants' input into recommendations for the government, the recently-established Fair Work Agency, employers, and support organisations. The findings envision a proactive, preventative enforcement approach that not only addresses individual cases after harm has already been done, but also creates lasting change through improving workplace cultures.

One of the themes that resonated with me is the importance of partnerships and the centring of workers' voices. As a meta point, this also applies to this research report. We are grateful to every participant who shared their valuable thoughts and their time with us. I find that the direct quotes from participants, included

alongside the analysis, are highly effective in bringing the research report to life.

My work as a Young Women's Trust Changemaker has been immensely enriching and energising. Working collaboratively with fellow Changemakers on campaign strategy, research design, and stakeholder outreach, I've witnessed how women's work is indispensable. The creativity, connection, compassion, and community building collectively generated by Changemakers would work wonders in workplaces.

So much of our world is constructed: gender expression and clothing trends evolve over time, and languages may have an abundance of words for concepts that are important to their corresponding cultures. If we aren't examining existing systems, structures and assumptions, and drafting our own blueprints, then we may be letting others create our world for us. No matter whether our social, cultural, and political landscape becomes more or less favourable, each of our efforts can create a force. The sum of all forces will make the future.

It is a pleasure and a privilege to invite you to read and engage with this research report, our labour of love.



Clara
Young Women's Trust
Changemaker

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Background & introduction

The *Employment Rights Act* and the creation of the **Fair Work Agency** present a significant opportunity to redesign how workplace rights are enforced in Great Britain.

For young women, who are disproportionately likely to experience unfair treatment and to work in insecure jobs where poor workplace practices are common, this opportunity is particularly significant.

The Government has rightly made increasing the economic participation of young people a central priority. For young women, however, participation is not only about accessing employment but also about being able to remain and progress in work. Experiences of discrimination, harassment, insecure work and poor employment practices can undermine confidence, damage mental wellbeing and contribute to repeated exits from the labour market, reducing the effectiveness of wider employment and skills policies.

The Fair Work Agency therefore has an important role not only in supporting the successful implementation of the *Employment Rights Act*, but also in creating the conditions in which young women can sustain employment, build their careers and contribute fully to the economy. Effective enforcement should be seen as a complement to policies that support young people into work, recognising that increasing economic participation depends not only on creating opportunities, but on ensuring those opportunities are fair, safe and secure.



Understanding how to design a better enforcement system requires first understanding where the current one is failing. Young Women's Trust's 2025 report, **Swept Under the Rug**, explored young women's experiences of the current workplace rights enforcement system. It found that:

- The current enforcement system too often compounds, rather than resolves, the harm caused by unfair treatment at work. Many young women described reporting processes that left them feeling ignored, unsupported and, in some cases, forced out of their jobs.
- The consequences of unfair treatment extend far beyond the workplace. Poor experiences of reporting affected young women's mental health, financial security, career progression and personal relationships, with many experiencing repeated unfair treatment across multiple jobs.
- Too many young women lack the information and support they need to understand and exercise their workplace rights. Knowledge of employment rights was often low, particularly in sectors characterised by insecure work, leaving many unsure where to turn when problems arose.

- The greatest barriers are often faced by those working in insecure and low-paid sectors. Young women in industries such as hospitality, arts and entertainment, education, and health and social care consistently reported poorer awareness of their rights, greater barriers to reporting unfair treatment and worse outcomes when they did.

It's clear that the current systems that are designed to protect young women at work aren't working. But the passage of the **Employment Rights Act** and the inception of the Fair Work Agency signal an opportunity for real change.

In this follow-up research, we asked young women and key stakeholders to respond to these findings by imagining a system that properly upholds young women's workplace rights. Rather than starting with existing systems and asking how they could be improved, participants were invited to imagine the principles, structures and approaches that would create a workplace rights enforcement system that genuinely works for young women. The findings that follow reflect that shared vision.



Young Women's Trust would like to thank all of the young women, stakeholders and organisations that contributed to this research.

METHODOLOGY

This research was co-designed and delivered with a team of eight young women ‘changemakers’ from our *‘Rights Here, Rights Now’* campaign project group, who are trained as peer researchers. All of our changemakers have their own lived experience of unfair treatment at work. We also worked with design futures experts at [Studio Andthen](#), who supported us to build the online engagement tool and design the deliberative workshop.

The research drew on futures thinking and participatory design methods, with the aim of equipping participants to go beyond describing what doesn’t work in the current system, to imagining what a better system should look like and how it should be implemented. It was focused around four broad questions:

- What should a workplace rights enforcement system that works for young women look like?
- What role should the Fair Work Agency play within that system?
- How do workplace measures fit into effective enforcement?
- What wider conditions are needed to ensure workplace rights are upheld effectively?

And directed by two overarching guidelines:

1. What do young women want?

2. What is practical, achievable and sustainable?

As analysis progressed, it became clear that participants consistently returned to the same five interconnected themes which were present across all of the research questions. The findings in this report are therefore organised around those themes, reflecting the issues participants identified as most important for designing a workplace rights enforcement system that works for young women.

OUR PEER RESEARCH APPROACH

At Young Women’s Trust, our peer researchers are at the heart of all our research. They are the experts in their own experience, and we know that meaningful research which catalyses change needs to be driven by them on issues that concern them.

Our peer researchers are all young women or people of marginalised genders with a diverse range of backgrounds, skills and experiences. We train them in research skills and support them to shape and conduct research with other young women to understand the challenges they face and the solutions they want to see.

The findings presented in this report are drawn from three complementary research activities:

- An online survey with 117 young women, who responded to a series of imagined workplace scenarios exploring different approaches to workplace rights enforcement.
- Eight in-depth interviews with key stakeholders, including young women, HR professionals, trade union representatives, legal advisers and Members of Parliament.
- A deliberative workshop bringing together young women and stakeholders to discuss workplace scenarios, explore different perspectives and work towards consensus on the design of the Fair Work Agency.

Key findings

Across the survey, interviews and deliberative workshop, participants consistently returned to the same set of priorities for a workplace rights enforcement system that works for young women.

Young women and stakeholders did not think about reporting processes, employer responsibilities, workplace culture and the role of the Fair Work Agency as separate issues.

Instead, they described an enforcement system in which these different elements work together to prevent unfair treatment, support workers when problems arise and drive lasting change.

5 interconnected themes emerged consistently across every stage of the research:

1. HOLDING EMPLOYERS TO ACCOUNT REQUIRES INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT AND MEANINGFUL CONSEQUENCES

2. REPORTING MUST BE SAFE, ACCESSIBLE AND TRANSPARENT

3. KNOWLEDGE IS POWER: WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS NEED BETTER ACCESS TO INFORMATION

4. A PROACTIVE APPROACH IS CRUCIAL FOR LONG-TERM CHANGE

5. LASTING CHANGE REQUIRES PARTNERSHIP AND CULTURE CHANGE

Taken together, these findings point towards a fundamental shift away from an individualised, complaints-led approach to enforcement and towards one that is proactive, preventative and focused on improving workplace cultures as well as resolving individual cases.

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HOLDING EMPLOYERS TO ACCOUNT REQUIRES INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT AND MEANINGFUL CONSEQUENCES

One message came through consistently across the survey, interviews and deliberative workshop: **responsibility for upholding workplace rights should not rest solely with individual workers.**

WHY THIS MATTERS FOR YOUNG WOMEN

Young women are disproportionately likely to experience insecure work, discrimination and unequal power relationships at work, making it harder to challenge unfair treatment and increasing their vulnerability to poor treatment and exploitation.

In ‘[Swept under the rug](#)’, participants also told us that employers too often face few consequences for breaking the rules, leaving young women to shoulder the risks of speaking up and leaving them feeling ignored, disbelieved or unsupported. Over a quarter (28%) of young women said **no action was taken** after making a complaint, and over a third (34%) of those who chose not to report, said they didn’t speak up because they **didn’t think anything would be done.**

Participants described an enforcement system that moves away from an individualised, case-by-case approach and towards one that holds employers accountable for creating safe and fair workplaces. Rather than relying on young women to identify unfair treatment, navigate complex reporting processes and drive complaints forward, participants wanted employers, regulators and the state to take greater responsibility for ensuring workplace rights are upheld.

When asked what sort of relationship young women wanted the Fair Work Agency to have with them, the most common response (39%) was “a strong regulator: independent, firm and willing to challenge employers.” This suggests that young women see the Fair Work Agency first and foremost as an enforcement body, with a responsibility to challenge poor practice and ensure employers comply with the law.



Knowing there are real consequences for employers who break the rules. If nothing actually changes for the company, what’s the point in reporting?”

| Research participant – Young woman

Similarly, for many participants, accountability was the defining principle of an effective enforcement system. When we asked young women which value they most wanted the **Fair Work Agency** to embody, almost **half (45%) chose accountability, making it the highest ranked value by a considerable margin**. Participants wanted confidence that employers who fail to uphold workplace rights would face meaningful consequences, and that reporting unfair treatment would lead to genuine action rather than simply recording complaints.

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This message was echoed throughout the interviews and deliberative workshop. Participants felt that enforcement should **rebalance the power relationship between workers and employers** by ensuring those with the greatest power also carry the greatest responsibility.



It’s important that people face consequences... you need to make the people with the most power feel the greatest pain of non-action or malicious action.”

| Research participant – HR professional

Interviewees and deliberative workshop participants consistently felt that too often it is left to workers to hold employers to account. They described a system in which individuals are expected to identify breaches, navigate complex enforcement processes and bear the personal, financial and professional risks associated with challenging unfair treatment. Many felt this was particularly unrealistic for young women, who may already be experiencing insecure work, fear of retaliation or significant power imbalances in the workplace.



I think that if the system relies on the most vulnerable worker to enforce their own rights, then it’s always going to fail.”

| Research participant – Union



Rather than placing responsibility on individuals to gather evidence, pursue complaints and drive cases forward, participants envisaged an enforcement system in which employers and regulators play a much greater role in ensuring workplace rights are protected. Deliberative workshop attendees recommended **clear minimum standards** that all employers should be expected to meet, covering areas such as reporting pathways and processes for responding to workplace concerns.

Participants also argued that employers should be supported by **visible external oversight**. One interviewee drew inspiration from the Australian system, where workers can raise concerns with an independent regulator¹ that can investigate complaints and, where appropriate, intervene to enforce workplace law. They felt that the presence of this external oversight would often be enough to improve employer behaviour.



What's going to take the onus off the victim or the individual or the young woman is the idea that there is this external oversight and then an employer can't just get away with anything unless you sue them."

| Research participant -
Legal support organisation

However, participants were clear that oversight alone would not be enough. **Accountability must be backed by meaningful enforcement powers** and credible consequences for employers who fail to uphold workplace rights.



There needs to be some accountability framework or something. And nothing drives accountability like consequences. And so the Fair Work Agency needs the authority to be able to slap pretty big fines on companies."

| Research participant - HR professional



As one interviewee observed, the current system provides little incentive for employers to address problems before they escalate.



There's very little incentive at the moment to resolve things early on... Why would they try and resolve something early?"

| Research participant -
Support organisation

¹ Australian Fair Work Ombudsman: <https://www.fairwork.gov.au/>



When you have much stronger deterrence, particularly financial deterrence, that gives the Fair Work Agency a kind of self-funding stream to be able to go out and finance more proactive enforcement.”

Research participant -
Support organisation



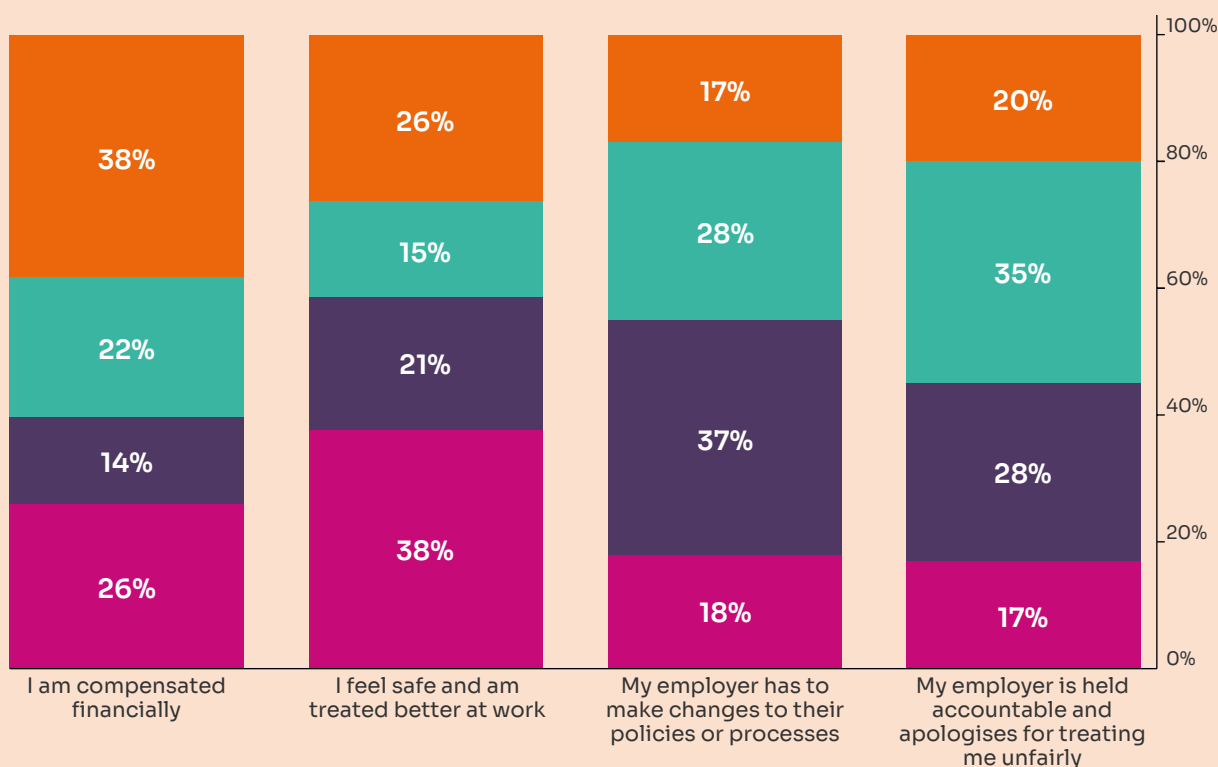
Amongst interviewees and deliberative workshop participants, there was consensus that the Fair Work Agency should take the lead on accountability, with **clear, enforced outcomes for non-compliance**, including large fines that could both provide funding for the agency and act as a deterrent to employers.

For young women experiencing unfair treatment at work, the main goal in pursuing a complaint is simply **for the unfair treatment to stop**. In our survey, we asked young women what they most want to happen as a result of reporting unfair treatment. Almost two fifths (39%) told us that **feeling safe and being treated better at work was their top priority**, and this also scored highest overall.

Financial compensation was viewed as important by some participants but was rarely described as the primary motivation for reporting. Instead, young women consistently prioritised safer workplaces, meaningful employer action and confidence that reporting would result in positive change.

FIGURE 1: what young women most want to happen as a result of reporting issues they've experienced at work, by %.

Rank 1 Rank 2 Rank 3 Rank 4.



Alongside resolving individual complaints, participants wanted enforcement to effect longer term change so that they and their colleagues are protected in future. Young women consistently described successful enforcement as preventing colleagues from experiencing similar treatment in future by requiring employers to improve policies, practices and workplace culture. In our survey, requiring employers to make changes to their policies or processes was one of the highest priorities when considering the outcomes of reporting unfair treatment.

Taken together, these findings point towards an enforcement system that places responsibility where participants believe it belongs: on **employers to uphold workplace rights, and on the state to ensure there are meaningful consequences when they fail to do so.** For participants, accountability was not simply about punishing poor practice, but about creating stronger incentives for employers to comply with the law, resolve issues promptly and improve workplace practices over time.



When I was doing my frontline work, people would tell me... they just don't want this to happen again to someone else."

| Research participant - Legal support





WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

Participants envisaged a Fair Work Agency that shifts the burden of enforcing workplace rights away from individual workers and creates stronger incentives for employers to comply with the law.

This includes:

Holding employers accountable for upholding workplace rights, rather than relying on individual workers to enforce them

Providing independent oversight, so workers are not solely responsible for identifying breaches and driving complaints forward

Setting and enforcing clear minimum standards that employers are expected to meet

Creating incentives for employers to resolve issues early, rather than allowing problems to escalate

Requiring employers to make meaningful organisational improvements, ensuring enforcement leads to lasting changes in workplace policies, practices and culture

2 REPORTING MUST BE SAFE, ACCESSIBLE AND TRANSPARENT

Participants consistently told us that **workplace rights are only meaningful if people feel able to use the systems designed to protect them**. Across the research, young women described an effective reporting system as one that is safe, accessible and easy to navigate. They wanted clear information about what to do, confidence that their concerns would be taken seriously, and reassurance that they would be protected throughout the process.

WHY THIS MATTERS FOR YOUNG WOMEN

For many young women, reporting unfair treatment can feel like a risk rather than a route to justice.

Swept Under the Rug found that over a quarter (27%) of those who didn't report unfair treatment chose not to because they were worried about losing their job or being treated negatively. For those who did raise a concern, these fears were often justified: a quarter (25%) of young women whose issue wasn't resolved said they were disciplined, demoted or dismissed, almost a quarter (24%) said they were denied opportunities to progress, and over a third (36%) said the reporting process damaged their relationship with their manager.

Many also described reporting processes that were confusing, lacked clear communication and left them without updates about what was happening or what would happen next.

Rather than a single reporting route, participants envisaged an enforcement system that recognises the diversity of workers' experiences and provides different ways of accessing support. They also stressed that the process itself should minimise, rather than add to, the emotional burden of reporting unfair treatment.

YOUNG WOMEN NEED GENUINE CHOICE IN HOW THEY REPORT CONCERNS

Participants were clear that a "one size fits all" approach to reporting unfair treatment will not work.

Many raised concerns about systems that require workers to report concerns directly to their line manager, recognising that this may be the person responsible for the unfair treatment or someone closely connected to it. Others highlighted that some workers may simply feel unable to raise concerns internally because of fears about confidentiality or retaliation.



For example if it was concerning your line manager, you probably aren't going to feel comfortable talking to them about it. So make sure there's different avenues to go down."

| Research participant - Young woman

Young women, union representatives and other stakeholders agreed that workers should be able to choose between reporting routes within and outside their workplace. Participants also supported **confidential or anonymous reporting options**, particularly for complaints involving sexual harassment or other sensitive forms of unfair treatment.



When somebody has, for example, fallen victim to sexual harassment then there needs to be a couple of opportunities for people to be able to raise the complaint internally... but there should also be an anonymous phone line, for example, as well.”

| Research participant - Union

Participants also felt that workers should have **greater flexibility in how concerns are resolved**. They recognised that not every issue requires the same response and wanted options for both informal and formal resolution where appropriate.

REPORTING PROCESSES SHOULD BE CLEAR, TRANSPARENT AND ACCESSIBLE

Alongside choice, participants consistently identified clarity and transparency as essential features of an effective enforcement system.

Young women wanted **straightforward reporting pathways** that clearly explain how the process works, who will be involved, what evidence is required, how long each stage is likely to take and what outcomes can reasonably be expected.



Being fully aware of the process, approximate time, evidence/information needed and the people involved.”

| Research participant - Young woman



Participants also highlighted the importance of reducing unnecessary complexity within the system. In our survey, **almost half (48%) of young women said that when they experienced multiple forms of unfair treatment, they would prefer these to be dealt with through one joined-up process** with different specialists involved where necessary, rather than navigating multiple separate complaints procedures.

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Stakeholders similarly emphasised the need to reduce paperwork, simplify processes and improve coordination between different organisations involved in enforcement, noting that in the current system, employers often take advantage of drawn-out, bureaucratic processes to encourage complainants to withdraw or give up.



I want a contact so I'm able to speak to someone dealing with it. I want clarity and a timeframe. I want documentation of everything going on."

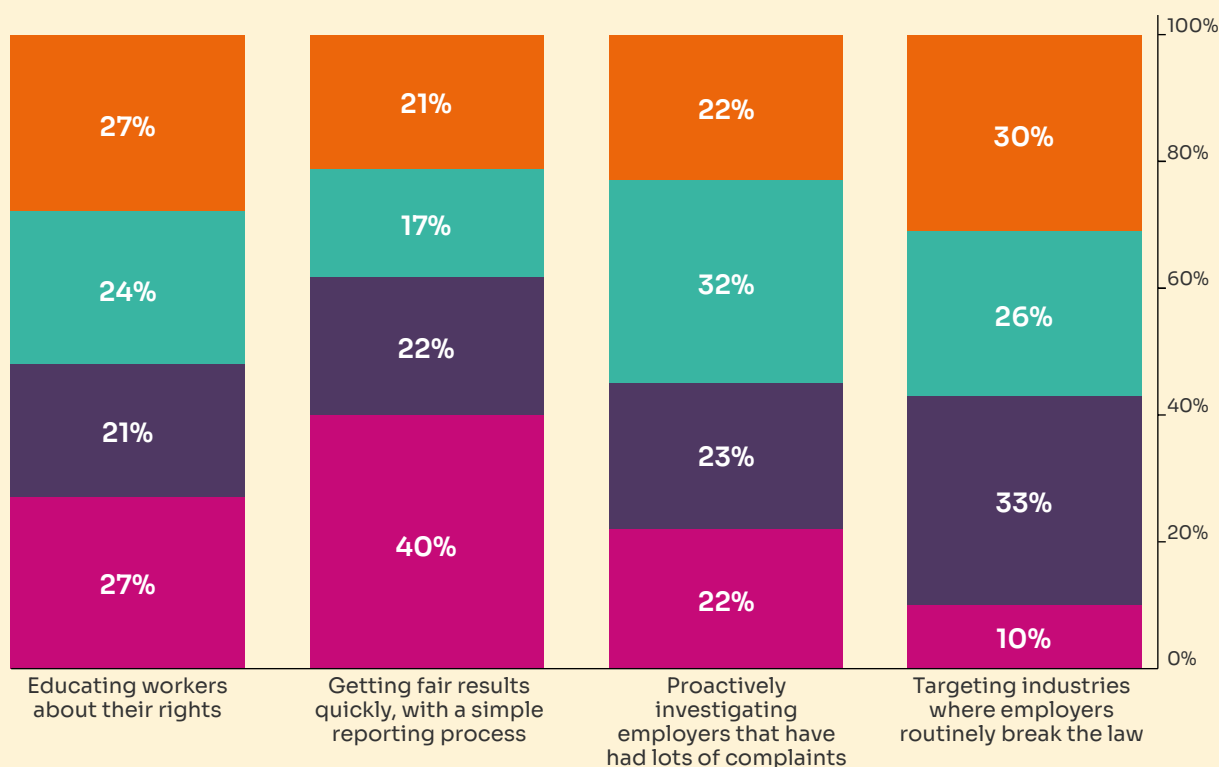
| Research participant - Young woman



We invited young women who took our survey to put themselves in the position of an advisor to the Fair Work Agency and asked them what they would advise the FWA to prioritise:

FIGURE 2: what young women would advise the Fair Work Agency to prioritise, by %.

Rank 1 Rank 2 Rank 3 Rank 4.



2. REPORTING MUST BE SAFE, ACCESSIBLE AND TRANSPARENT

Two fifths (40%) of young women told us that ‘getting fair results quickly, with a simple reporting process’ should be a key area of focus for the Fair Work Agency. As well as reflecting the value of accountability, this also highlights the importance of those reporting unfair treatment being able to trust in both the process and the outcome.

Accessibility was also a consistent priority throughout the research. Participants wanted systems that are easy to find, simple to use and designed around different access needs. This included ensuring that workers do not have to repeatedly recount distressing experiences as complaints move between different organisations or stages of the process.



For the most part... they just want to reach a resolution as soon as possible. They definitely don't want a drawn out process.”

| Research participant -
Support organisation



It needs to be accessible – for example a simple form that I can easily find by googling *Below minimum wage payment formal complaint.*”

| Research participant - Young woman



YOUNG WOMEN NEED TO FEEL PROTECTED THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS

For many participants, the success of a reporting system depended not only on whether it resolved complaints, but on how people were treated while using it.

39%

of young women said that **protection from retaliation** would be the most important feature of a reporting system that would make them feel safe

Young women repeatedly spoke about the importance of feeling safe throughout the reporting journey. This included protection from retaliation, confidentiality wherever

possible, impartial investigations and access to independent support.

When asked to rank the features that would make them feel safe and confident that appropriate action would be taken, almost **two-fifths (39%) selected protection from retaliation as the single most important feature of a reporting system.**

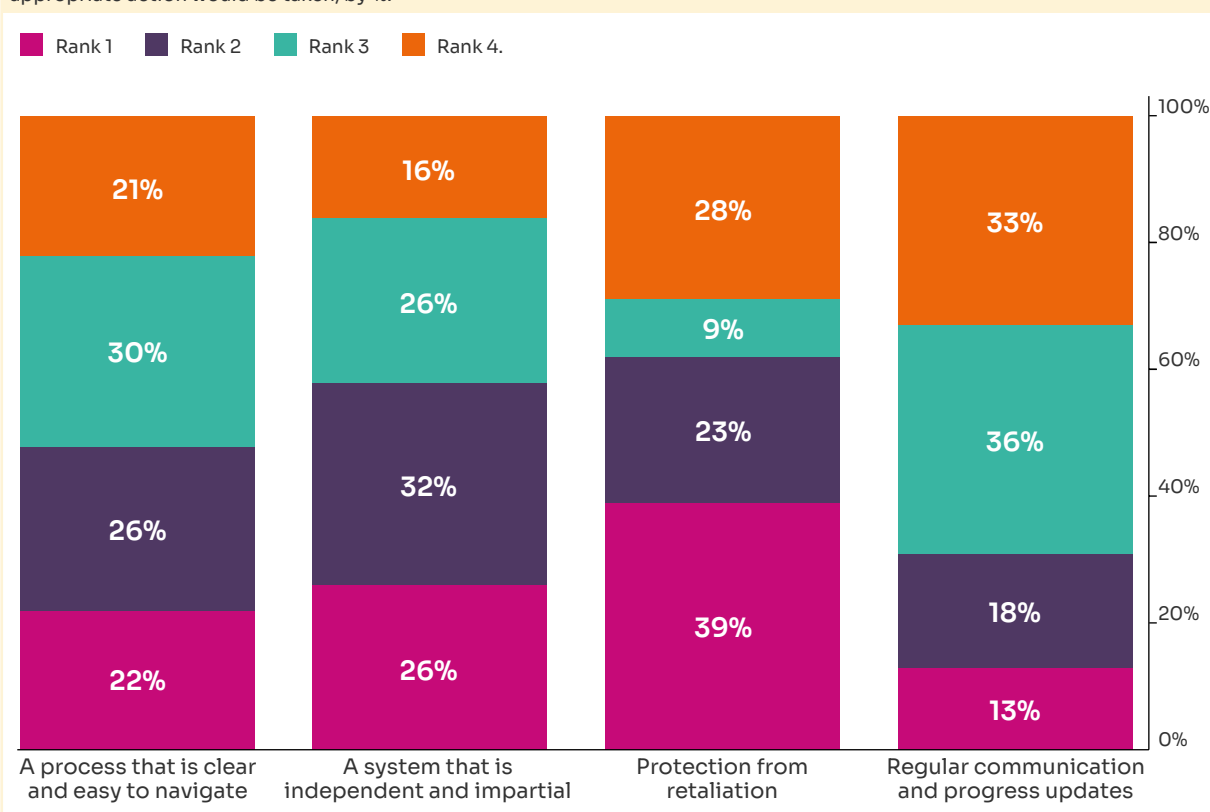


[I want] security that I won't lose my job or have my progression/role/prospects negatively impacted.”

| Research participant - Young woman

2. REPORTING MUST BE SAFE, ACCESSIBLE AND TRANSPARENT

FIGURE 3: the most important features of a reporting system that would make young women feel safe and confident that appropriate action would be taken, by %.



Participants also wanted **regular communication throughout the process**. Our previous research found that long periods without updates contributed significantly to the emotional burden of reporting unfair treatment. Participants described clear communication as an important way of maintaining confidence in the system and reassuring workers that action was being taken.

Beyond practical considerations, participants consistently returned to



I would then want to be kept up to date on what is being done, if the company is being investigated etc.”

| Research participant – Young woman

the importance of feeling reassured that somebody would believe them, support them and act on the concerns they had raised. More than any other feeling, young women who took our survey told that what they most want to feel during the reporting and enforcement process is **‘listened to, respected and taken seriously’**.



I need to feel safe and that nothing will ... have negative impacts on me. It needs to be a way where I actually feel like I’m going to be heard and actions taken. I need someone who is going to be on my side.”

| Research participant – Young woman





WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

Participants consistently described a reporting system that is designed around the needs of workers.

This means ensuring that the Fair Work Agency:

Provides multiple routes for raising concerns, including confidential options where appropriate

Reduces unnecessary complexity by coordinating complaints wherever possible

Develops clear, transparent and accessible reporting processes

Protects complainants from retaliation and safeguards confidentiality

Ensures workers feel listened to, respected and supported from the point they raise a concern through to the resolution of their case

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KNOWLEDGE IS POWER: WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS NEED BETTER ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Across the research, participants consistently highlighted the importance of **improving awareness and understanding of workplace rights**. They argued that an effective enforcement system depends not only on what happens when things go wrong, but on ensuring that workers and employers have the knowledge, confidence and resources to prevent problems from arising in the first place.

WHY THIS MATTERS FOR YOUNG WOMEN

Our [previous research](#) found that too many young women **lack the information they need to understand their workplace rights** or know what to do when those rights are violated. Almost a quarter (23%) of young women said they had little or no knowledge of their workplace rights, while almost a third (32%) said they did not know how to report an issue. Among those who chose not to make a complaint, more than one in five (21%) said this was because they **did not know who to speak to or how to report their concerns**.

This lack of awareness is particularly pronounced in sectors where insecure and low-paid work is more common, and where young women are disproportionately represented. Over half (52%) of young women working in arts, entertainment and recreation said they had little or no knowledge of how to report an issue, while nearly two fifths (39%) of those working in hospitality said the same.

However, the issue is not only that workers lack knowledge of their rights. Many young women told us that **employers were not providing clear information** about workplace rights or reporting processes, leaving them reliant on informal sources of advice such as friends, family or social media. As a result, access to workplace justice can depend on whether a young woman knows where to find information, understands the process, and feels able to navigate it.

Participants felt that too many workers are expected to navigate complex employment rights systems without access to clear, reliable information. Many also described a lack of understanding among employers and managers about their legal responsibilities, leading to inconsistent practice and avoidable failures to protect workers.

Improving knowledge across the system was therefore seen as a shared responsibility between employers, government, unions, support organisations and the Fair Work Agency.



It sometimes feels like there's a very big gap between what people's legal rights are, what their personal knowledge is of their legal rights, but also sometimes what their employer's knowledge of their legal rights is."

| Research participant - Policymaker

WORKERS NEED CLEAR, ACCESSIBLE INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR RIGHTS

Participants consistently emphasised that workers need easy access to accurate information about their rights and the support available to them.

Many felt that employment rights information is currently too fragmented, difficult to find or only accessed after something has already gone wrong. Instead, participants wanted **information that is simple, practical and available at the point it is needed**, helping workers understand both their rights and the options available to them if they experience unfair treatment.

Interviewees also highlighted the importance of making information accessible to young women with different needs and levels of confidence, ensuring that no one is disadvantaged by the way information is communicated.

Several interviewees highlighted that the challenge is not necessarily a lack of information, but a lack of awareness of where to find it and how to apply it. Existing resources provided by organisations such as Acas and GOV.UK were generally viewed positively, but participants felt that too many workers remain unaware of them. There was a strong sense that there is a significant gap between people's employment rights and their understanding of those rights, creating a need for more proactive awareness-raising and public education.

Participants suggested that the Fair Work Agency could play an important role in providing a trusted source of information through a central hub of guidance and resources for both workers and employers.



I think there should be a standardised, centralised location where if you have an issue, this is where you go... I feel like they [the FWA] should just be like a key knowledge base."

| Research participant - Young woman

They also felt there was a need for targeted communications aimed at groups of workers – including young women – who are particularly vulnerable to unfair treatment, recognising that different sectors and groups may require different approaches.

EMPLOYERS AND MANAGERS NEED GREATER UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES

Participants were equally clear that improving awareness should not focus solely on workers.

Many interviewees argued that employers, particularly line managers, need a much stronger understanding of workplace rights and their responsibilities for preventing and responding to unfair treatment.



Most employers genuinely want to do the right thing by their employees, but don't necessarily have ready access to the information that they require to actually know what the law actually says."

| Research participant - Policymaker



Suggestions included:

- Ensuring managers receive appropriate training on workplace rights and their legal responsibilities;
- Using internal communications to reinforce good practice and raise awareness;
- Providing employers with practical guidance on preventing and responding to unfair treatment.



A wide amount of management training, a wide amount of internal communication and upskilling to ensure that everyone in a workplace understands what their obligations are, either as a manager or as a representative of a workplace.”

| Research participant -
Support organisation

Participants viewed this not simply as compliance activity, but as an important part of creating workplaces where unfair treatment is less likely to occur.

INFORMATION SHOULD BE SHARED THROUGH TRUSTED ORGANISATIONS

Participants consistently described awareness-raising as a collective responsibility rather than the role of any single organisation.

Alongside employers and government, they highlighted the important role that unions, advice organisations and other trusted intermediaries can play in helping workers understand and enforce their rights.

Participants wanted greater awareness of:

- What employers should do to prevent unfair treatment;
- How reporting processes work;
- Where workers can access independent advice and support; and
- How, when and why to join a union.

Interviewees argued that improving access to this information would help to rebalance power between workers and employers by enabling people to recognise unfair treatment earlier and understand the options available to them.



When people understand what they're entitled to, it's much harder for an employer to exploit workers on the basis that they don't understand what their rights are.”

| Research participant -
Support organisation



AWARENESS SHOULD BE BUILT INTO THE ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM

Participants felt that improving awareness should not rely solely on individuals actively seeking information. Instead, they envisaged a Fair Work Agency that plays a proactive role in raising awareness through public campaigns, accessible guidance and partnerships with employers and support organisations.

Rather than responding only after problems occur, participants wanted the enforcement system to build confidence in workplace rights before young women need to use it. This includes ensuring that information is visible, easy to understand and tailored to the needs of different audiences.

By improving knowledge across the workforce and among employers, participants believed the enforcement system could empower workers, encourage compliance and reduce the likelihood of unfair treatment occurring in the first place.



I'd like a side-of-the-bus type campaign, billboards in cities across the UK."

| Research participant - Policymaker





WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

Participants envisaged the Fair Work Agency acting as a trusted source of information and guidance for both workers and employers.

This includes:

Developing clear, accessible guidance on workplace rights and reporting processes

Providing practical resources for employers and managers

Working with unions and support organisations to extend the reach of information

Creating a central, trusted hub where workers and employers can easily access advice, guidance and support

Delivering targeted awareness campaigns for groups most at risk of unfair treatment, including young women

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A PROACTIVE APPROACH IS CRUCIAL FOR LONG-TERM CHANGE

Across the research, participants consistently argued that an effective enforcement system should not simply respond to unfair treatment after it has occurred. Instead, they envisaged a system that **actively works to identify risks, intervene early and prevent problems from escalating.**

WHY THIS MATTERS FOR YOUNG WOMEN

As well as facing significant barriers to reporting unfair treatment, [our previous research](#) showed that the **process of raising concerns can itself be a hugely challenging and stressful experience** for young women.

Navigating complaints processes, waiting for outcomes and continuing to work in environments where they have experienced unfair treatment can take a **significant toll on young women's wellbeing** — particularly when their concerns are not resolved. Almost half (43%) of young women whose issue was not resolved said that reporting had a negative impact on their mental health.

The impact of going through this process can extend far beyond the workplace. Young women described how reporting unfair treatment affected their confidence, relationships and finances, with some experiencing increased stress and isolation while trying to navigate the situation. For some, the **experience became so damaging that they were unable to remain in work**: one in three (33%) young women whose issue was not resolved said they left the workforce altogether as a direct result of the reporting process.

While participants recognised the importance of accessible reporting routes and effective enforcement when workplace rights are breached, they were **equally clear that lasting change depends on preventing unfair treatment from happening in the first place.**

This requires enforcement bodies, employers and policymakers to move beyond reacting to individual complaints and instead use intelligence, data and proactive regulation to identify where intervention is needed most.



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A SUCCESSFUL SYSTEM SHOULD IDENTIFY PROBLEMS BEFORE WORKERS ARE HARMED

Participants consistently challenged the reactive nature of the current enforcement system. Rather than relying solely on workers coming forward to report concerns, they wanted enforcement bodies to focus on tackling systematic issues, identifying patterns of unfair treatment and intervening where there is evidence that workplace rights are being undermined.

Throughout the interviews and deliberative workshop, participants described a more **proactive model of enforcement** in which intelligence gathered through complaints is used to identify emerging risks, monitor trends and target enforcement activity where it is likely to have the greatest impact.



We agree on... [a] proactive approach, not just responding to wrongdoing.”

| Deliberative workshop participants

Participants saw this as particularly important given the barriers many young women face in reporting unfair treatment. A preventative approach would reduce reliance on individuals coming forward before action is taken.

BETTER USE OF DATA CAN STRENGTHEN ENFORCEMENT

Participants repeatedly highlighted the role that data could play in preventing unfair treatment and improving accountability.

Interviewees suggested that enforcement bodies should make greater use of official and organisational data to make strategic decisions, monitor patterns of unfair treatment and the effectiveness of interventions and/or penalties.

Several participants also argued that publishing information about trends could encourage employers to improve practice before formal enforcement action becomes necessary.



Part of their remit could be publishing data on trends, you know, that could act as a real deterrent.”

| Research participant - Legal advisor



Participants saw this as an opportunity not only to strengthen enforcement, but also to improve transparency and increase public confidence in the system.

PREVENTION REQUIRES ACTION WITHIN WORKPLACES

Participants also identified a number of practical measures that employers can take to reduce the likelihood of unfair treatment occurring.

Rather than viewing workplace rights solely through the lens of responding to complaints, interviewees emphasised the importance of embedding prevention into day-to-day organisational practice.

This could look like:

- Ensuring organisations have appropriate HR support wherever possible.
- Carrying out risk assessments in areas where unfair treatment is known to occur, including sexual harassment; and
- Regularly reviewing workplace policies and procedures to identify opportunities for improvement.

Participants recognised that some organisations, particularly smaller employers, may require additional support to implement these measures effectively. However, they consistently argued that prevention should become a core responsibility of employers rather than an optional activity.



I hope that there'll be a lot more proactive enforcement around those sorts of basic employment rights and minimum wage violations."

| Research participant - Policymaker



A PREVENTATIVE APPROACH SHOULD FOCUS ON SECTORS WHERE RISKS ARE GREATEST

Participants recognised that unfair treatment is not experienced equally across the labour market. There is already a strong body of evidence demonstrating that young women are disproportionately affected by unfair treatment at work, including breaches of their workplace rights. Building on this, participants highlighted the importance of **targeting preventative activity towards sectors where insecure work, low pay and poor employment practices are most prevalent.**

Rather than applying the same level of intervention across all workplaces, participants envisaged an intelligence-led approach that directs resources towards sectors and employers where there is the greatest risk of harm.

By identifying patterns of poor practice and intervening early, participants believed the enforcement system could prevent unfair treatment before young women experience significant harm, reducing the need for lengthy complaints processes and improving outcomes for both workers and employers.



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

Participants described a Fair Work Agency that plays an active role in preventing unfair treatment, rather than responding only after workplace rights have been breached.

This includes:

Using intelligence and complaints data to identify emerging risks

Encouraging employers to adopt preventative approaches, including regular risk assessments

Targeting enforcement activity towards sectors where unfair treatment is most prevalent

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Evaluating the impact of interventions to ensure enforcement activity leads to long-term improvements

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LASTING CHANGE REQUIRES PARTNERSHIP
AND CULTURE CHANGEWHY THIS MATTERS FOR
YOUNG WOMEN

In [Swept under the Rug](#), we found that **workplace culture and the response young women receive when they raise concerns can have a significant impact on whether unfair treatment is resolved**. Support from managers, supervisors and HR was associated with much higher rates of resolution: around two thirds of young women who received support from a manager, supervisor or HR were able to successfully resolve their issue, compared to under a third who didn't.

However, **this support was not always available**. More than a third (36%) of young women who wanted support from a manager did not receive it, while over one in five (22%) who wanted HR support had the same experience. Many young women described feeling **dismissed, unsupported or lacking clear communication** when they raised concerns.

Support outside the workplace, including from charities, trade unions, government bodies and advice services, can provide an important source of information and guidance when young women experience unfair treatment. However, this support is often underused, with many young women **unaware of what help is available or unsure where to turn for advice**. In our previous research, we found that three in five (60%) young women did not reach out to a government body for support, while nearly half (48%) did not ask for support from a trade union.

Throughout the research, participants emphasised that no single organisation can create a workplace rights enforcement system that works for young women.

Instead, they described effective enforcement as a **shared responsibility** requiring collaboration between workers, employers, unions, support organisations, regulators and government.

While participants saw the Fair Work Agency as playing a central role in coordinating and strengthening the enforcement system, they consistently argued that lasting change depends on creating workplace cultures in which rights are understood, respected and upheld before formal enforcement action becomes necessary.



We need a culture change in the UK around businesses and the fact that employment rights are not a 'nice to have'. They need to become more embedded in our national ways of doing business."

| Research participant - Policymaker



EFFECTIVE ENFORCEMENT DEPENDS ON PARTNERSHIP

Participants consistently highlighted the importance of organisations working together to support workers and improve compliance with workplace rights. Alongside employers and the Fair Work Agency, they identified an important role for trade unions, legal advisers, support organisations and community groups in helping workers understand their rights, access advice and navigate enforcement processes where necessary.

Rather than viewing enforcement as the responsibility of a single organisation, participants envisaged a connected system in which different organisations contribute their expertise and work together to improve outcomes for workers.

This collaborative approach was seen as particularly important for young women, who may require different forms of support depending on their circumstances, employment status or the nature of the unfair treatment they experience.

WORKERS' VOICES SHOULD REMAIN AT THE CENTRE OF THE ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM

Participants repeatedly emphasised that young women's experiences should shape the design and delivery of workplace rights enforcement. When asked what kind of relationship they want the Fair Work Agency to have with young women, more than a fifth (21%) of respondents said they wanted them to listen to young women and improve the system with them – the second highest response.

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Throughout the interviews and deliberative workshop, there was a strong sense that enforcement systems are often designed around organisational processes rather than the needs of the people expected to use them. Participants argued that workers – particularly those most affected by unfairness at work, including young women – should continue to be involved in shaping how the Fair Work Agency develops its services, communications and enforcement priorities, ensuring that the system remains responsive to the realities of working life.

Keeping workers' voices at the centre of enforcement was also viewed as an important way of building confidence in the system and ensuring that policy continues to reflect the experiences of those most affected by unfair treatment.



The measures that they come up with, if it excludes workers and the people directly involved, isn't necessarily going to create a solution to the problem."

| Research participant - Union

LASTING CHANGE REQUIRES A SHIFT IN WORKPLACE CULTURE

Participants consistently returned to the importance of changing workplace culture alongside strengthening formal enforcement.

While legislation and enforcement action are essential, they felt that these measures alone cannot eliminate unfair treatment unless employers also create working environments in which respect, dignity and accountability are embedded in everyday practice.

Throughout the research, participants described the need to address the power imbalances that often prevent workers from speaking up. They recognised that many young women experience unfair treatment in workplaces where they feel vulnerable because of insecure employment, limited financial security or unequal relationships with managers. Creating cultures where young women feel able to raise concerns without fear of retaliation was therefore viewed as just as important as improving formal reporting procedures.



We have to change from this idea that it's all about profit. It's not all about profit... we need to have modern employment policies that protect workers, that treat people and their workforce fairly."

| Research participant - Union

Participants also highlighted the importance of ensuring employers have the knowledge, confidence and support needed to meet their responsibilities, recognising that cultural change is most likely to succeed when organisations understand both what is expected of them and why it matters.

TRUST SHOULD UNDERPIN THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

Participants described the Fair Work Agency not simply as an enforcement body, but as an organisation that should help build confidence in the wider workplace rights system.

When discussing the values they wanted the Agency to embody, participants consistently returned to themes of accountability, accessibility, safety, dignity and transparency. They wanted an organisation that is trusted by workers, demonstrates fairness in its decision making and is committed to protecting those who come forward.

One participant highlighted the importance of the Agency establishing a strong reputation for supporting those who may be particularly vulnerable in the labour market:



They need to have a good reputation and a history of helping vulnerable groups of people, like women, working class, disabled, mentally ill etc."

| Research participant - Young woman



Participants believed that trust would be built not through communications alone, but through consistent action. A Fair Work Agency that is accessible, transparent, responsive and willing to hold employers to account was seen as fundamental to increasing young women's confidence in the enforcement system.



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

Participants envisaged a Fair Work Agency that acts not only as an enforcement body, but as a leader within a wider workplace rights ecosystem.

This includes:

Working in partnership with employers, unions, support organisations and government

Building public confidence through transparency, accessibility and consistent enforcement

Ensuring workers' experiences – including young women's – continue to shape the development of the enforcement system

Promoting workplace cultures that value dignity, respect and accountability

Helping to coordinate a workplace rights system in which different organisations work together to prevent unfair treatment and support workers effectively

Questions and challenges for implementation

While participants expressed a high degree of consensus about the principles that should underpin the Fair Work Agency, the deliberative workshop and interviews also highlighted a number of practical considerations for policymakers as the new workplace rights enforcement system is developed. Rather than reflecting disagreement about the overall direction of travel, these discussions focused on the challenges and questions associated with designing a system that is effective, proportionate and sustainable in practice.

IMPLEMENTATION CONSIDERATION	KEY QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION POINTS
Resourcing a proactive enforcement system	Participants strongly supported a proactive, intelligence-led approach to enforcement, but questioned how this could be delivered within finite public resources. They recognised that preventative activity requires investment, while many of its benefits may only become apparent over the longer term.
Defining and measuring success	Participants recognised that measuring the effectiveness of the Fair Work Agency would not be straightforward. For example, an increase in complaints could indicate worsening workplace practices, but could equally reflect greater confidence in reporting. Similarly, fewer complaints might suggest improved compliance, or alternatively that workers continue to face barriers to coming forward. Participants felt that a range of measures and disaggregated data across different groups of workers would be needed to understand whether the system is achieving its intended outcomes, and whether it is working effectively for those most at risk of unfair treatment.
Maintaining independence while working collaboratively	Participants wanted the Fair Work Agency to be a trusted, independent regulator that is willing to challenge employers where necessary. At the same time, they recognised that effective enforcement will depend on strong relationships with employers, trade unions, advice services, regulators and community organisations. Maintaining independence while working collaboratively was seen as an important consideration.

Building an integrated enforcement system	Interviewees frequently highlighted the importance of avoiding duplication and fragmentation across the wider enforcement landscape. Participants discussed the need for effective information sharing, joined-up working and clear pathways between organisations so that workers experience a coherent system rather than having to navigate multiple disconnected services.
Clarifying roles and responsibilities	Participants recognised that the Fair Work Agency will operate alongside existing organisations such as Acas, the Equality and Human Rights Commission and employment tribunals. They highlighted the importance of clearly defining responsibilities and ensuring that workers understand where to go for different types of workplace issues.
Using technology responsibly	Participants anticipated that AI and other technologies would increasingly be used to support the administration of the enforcement system. While they recognised the potential benefits of improving efficiency identifying patterns and helping to target resources they also highlighted potential risks, including the possibility that system bias could reinforce existing inequalities. Participants emphasised the importance of transparency, appropriate safeguards and ensuring that human judgement remains central, particularly where decisions could significantly affect the rights or experiences of workers who already face barriers to accessing support or justice.
Securing employer engagement	Participants recognised that enforcement powers alone are unlikely to transform workplace culture. They discussed the importance of encouraging employers to view good employment practices as beneficial for both workers and organisations, alongside ensuring that there are meaningful consequences where legal responsibilities are not met.



The discussions around these issues demonstrated participants engaging thoughtfully with the practical realities of system design. Participants recognised that the long-term success of the Fair Work Agency will depend not only on the powers it is given, but also on how it is resourced, governed and implemented.

WHAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN?

YOUNG WOMEN'S TRUST'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GOVERNMENT

- **Equip the Fair Work Agency with strong, independent enforcement powers.**

The Fair Work Agency should have the independence, powers and resources needed to hold employers accountable, undertake proactive investigations and impose meaningful sanctions where workplace rights are breached. Its success should be measured not only by the number of complaints resolved, but by its ability to prevent unfair treatment and improve compliance across the labour market.

- **Raise the profile and awareness of workplace rights.** Fund and deliver a national public awareness campaign to improve understanding of workplace rights, with targeted communications and outreach for groups at greater risk of unfair treatment, including young women.

YOUNG WOMEN'S TRUST'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FAIR WORK AGENCY

- **Build a joined-up workplace rights enforcement system.** Collaborate and share intelligence with other government bodies, trade unions, worker representative groups and frontline support organisations to identify patterns of unfair treatment, target interventions in high-risk sectors and improve coordination across the enforcement landscape.

- **Improve access to information and support.** Develop a single, trusted information hub providing workers and employers with clear, accessible information about workplace rights, alongside tailored guidance, educational resources and support for groups at greater risk of unfair treatment, including young women.

- **Make reporting safe, accessible and transparent.** Establish a single reporting channel through which workers can report different forms of unfair treatment. Set minimum standards for employer reporting processes, communicate proactively throughout investigations, and ensure complainants are protected through confidentiality and safeguards against retaliation.

- **Support employers to comply with the law.** Provide practical guidance, training and resources to help employers understand their legal responsibilities and implement good practice, closing the gap between legal requirements and day-to-day workplace practice.

- **Prioritise prevention alongside enforcement.** Take a proactive, intelligence-led approach to enforcement by conducting visible workplace inspections, introducing meaningful consequences for non-compliance and prioritising interventions that result in lasting improvements to employer policy and practice.

YOUNG WOMEN'S TRUST'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EMPLOYERS

- **Create workplaces where concerns can be raised safely and acted on.** Provide accessible reporting routes, communicate clearly throughout investigations, protect workers from retaliation and ensure concerns lead to meaningful action.
- **Use complaints to drive organisational improvement.** Regularly review workplace culture, reporting processes and management practices, identify patterns of concerns and invest in training so managers understand both their legal responsibilities and how to respond appropriately when issues are raised.

YOUNG WOMEN'S TRUST'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUPPORT ORGANISATIONS

- **Improve access to workplace rights information and support.** Continue working collaboratively to provide trusted advice, improve awareness of workplace rights and ensure workers – particularly those in insecure work – can access support early.
- **Ensure workers' experiences continue to shape the enforcement system.** Work with the Fair Work Agency to bring workers' experiences into its design, evaluation and continuous improvement, ensuring the system remains responsive to those it exists to protect.

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