The Women’s Forum had requested the below during the AGM in 2018:

- The name of the group be changed to the Equality Committee and that it becomes a Committee with equal standing to Oceanic and Offshore committee and continue with a seat on Council
- That there is a representative on staff who is dedicated to furthering and administering the work of the Equality Committee
- To change the name of the Forum to committee and the name Equality Committee to be considered
- Change the structure from an objective to a term of reference as written below.
  - For reference currently the ‘objective’ reads: The objective of the Women’s Forum is to encourage and increase participation by women in all aspects of sailing and sailing administration by facilitating open discussion, and the sharing of information, on issues relating to women in sailing, including issues arising from submissions, proposals and the agendas of World Sailing committees.
    - Liaise directly with World Sailing staff on Equality Committee matters;
    - Make recommendations to the Race Officials Committee on the process of developing women as officials to support their appointment as officials and as administrators across the sport
    - Liaise with all other relevant World Sailing committees as necessary or appropriate to ensure consistency across World Sailing processes and activities for Gender equality and Racial Inclusion
    - Provide Equality Committee representatives to the Equipment Committee

This later was taken out of the minutes of the meeting and we were told to prepare a submission.

Due to the proposal re restructuring of World Sailing this has not been done. In this new structure we have noted that the new Governance Committee will incorporate the work which is currently undertaken by the Women Forum. Of course, this depends on the vote at the AGM 2019. For that reason not much has been going on this year. We believe it is better to wait until this matter is finalized.

We still have our whatsapp group and we intend to arrange our breakfast table at the AGM in order to welcome any new members of WS.

We are currently in contact with representatives of the World Sailing Trust re their strategic review of women in sailing.

At the meeting our intention is to invite representatives of the World Sailing Trust and have a discussion as well as to have the round tables with interesting topics for Women in Sailing.

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