

Women hit six times harder this Budget by government cuts

House of Commons analysis commissioned by Labour has revealed that as of the Chancellor's budget yesterday, women continue to be hit six times harder than men by government policies.

Sarah Champion MP, Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for Women and Equalities, said:

"Yesterday the Prime Minister and Chancellor talked up the significance of International Women's Day yet their warm words have amounted to nothing.

"Calls for a budget that works for women have been ignored.

"Women are still bearing the brunt of this Tory Government's failed austerity agenda – with the 86 per cent impact figure on women remaining unchanged since last year. Things are just as bad as ever for women under this Tory Government.

"Labour calls on the Government to urgently publish analysis of the true impact of their budgets and spending announcements on women and to explain how they intend to reverse this disproportionate impact.

Under a Labour Government, all economic policies will be gender audited to ensure that we have an economy that works for all."