

# Sophie Walker

## LYING FEMINIST OF THE MONTH



[J4MB](#) presents the February 2016 **Lying Feminist of the Month** award to [Sophie Walker](#), leader of the [Women's Equality Party](#). It's the second time she's won the award, her first is [here](#). [Sandi Toksvig](#), the party's spokeswoman, won two of the awards in the space of just three months – [here](#) and [here](#).

[Campaign for Merit in Business](#) (C4MB) – an associated organization – has been campaigning since 2012 against government initiatives to increase the proportion of women on corporate boards, because of the [evidence](#) (from longitudinal studies) of a causal link with corporate financial *decline*. Mike Buchanan presented the evidence to House of Commons and House of Lords inquiries in 2012.

On 9 February 2016, *The Guardian* published a particularly silly [article](#) by Sophie Walker. Along with much other nonsense, there's a long-discredited feminist myth in the second paragraph:

It's a clear message – more women means more profits.

Her claim of a positive causal link couldn't be clearer, and it's a lie. Mike Buchanan posted a comment on behalf of C4MB on *The Guardian* comment stream but it was soon removed, as was a second:

Evidence about the impact of increasing female representation on corporate boards is here <http://c4mb.wordpress.com>

Details of both comments [here](#).

A list of our Lying Feminists of the Month award winners is [here](#), Toxic Feminists of the Month [here](#), Gormless Feminists of the Month [here](#), Whiny Feminists of the Month [here](#).