

CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

ANNUAL RETURN FORM

1. GROUP NAME *Code of Conduct 6.2.4*

Groups that have been accorded recognition will be permitted to use the title *Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament*.

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Tobacco Control

2. DATE GROUP APPROVED

23 February 2000

3. DATE ANNUAL REPORT

15 November 2012

4. GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

For each group meeting or other activity please provide the date, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and attendance figures (MSP and non-MSP).

20/06/12.

In Attendance: Willie Rennie MSP, Vicky Crichton, Craig Esplin, Jacquie Forde, Hamid Gazem, Crawford Moodie, Rory Morrison, Lindsay Paterson, Alan Rodger, Valerie Smith, Diane Thomson, John Watson.

Discussion: The topic for discussion at the meeting was Smoking in Cars. Rory Morrison, ASH Scotland, gave a presentation on 'Smoking in Vehicles: A Review of the Evidence'. Questions and general discussion took place.

09/05/12

In Attendance: Willie Rennie MSP, Erin Boyle, Iain Brodie, James Cant, Crawford Moodie, Hamid Gazem, Gillian Griffith, Robert Howe, Lindsay Paterson, David Robertson, Alan Rodger, Valerie Smith, Diane Thomson, John Watson

Discussion: The focus of this meeting was plain packaging, covering the evidence base in support of plain packaging, the campaign that is taking shape and how people/organisations can get involved. Separately, it was noted it was important to take into account the timetable for the Scottish Government's Tobacco Control Strategy.

22/02/12

In Attendance: Willie Rennie MSP, Richard Simpson MSP, Michael Matheson MSP, Vicky Crichton, Mary Cuthbert, Sheila Duffy, Alison Ford, Celia Gardiner, Elvire Genet, Karen Gray, Gillian Griffith, Carolyn McCole, Marion McGovern, Ben Mckendrick, Crawford Moodie, Lindsay Paterson, Jim Swift, Diane Thomson, John Watson,

Discussion: The meeting was attended by the Minister for Public Health. Some topics and questions were agreed and put to the Minister upon his arrival. Discussion took place. Three applications for membership were approved.

07/12/11

In Attendance: Willie Rennie MSP, Richard Simpson MSP, Vicky Crichton, Mary Cuthbert, Sheila Duffy, Geoff Earl, Gillian Griffith, Peter Hastie, Siobhan McKay, Crawford Moodie, Andrew Scott, Diane Thomson, John Watson,

Discussion: Review of the last minutes took place. Three applications for membership

were approved. Mary Cuthbert, Head of Alcohol and Tobacco Policy at the Scottish Government, led a discussion reviewing progress in developing a new tobacco control strategy for Scotland.

16/11/11

In Attendance: Willie Rennie MSP, Richard Simpson MSP, Nanette Milne MSP, Sheila Duffy, Fiona Dunlop, Geoff Earl, Gillian Griffith, Peter Hastie, Robert Howe, Veronica McGinley, Cameron McVean, Helen Reilly, Brian Smith, John Watson,

Discussion: Brian Smith, Senior Trading Standards Officer at Angus Council, led a discussion on current knowledge regarding illicit tobacco in Scotland, with some time given over to whether plain packaging of tobacco products would make counterfeiting easier. General discussion took place.

22/09/11 – AGM

In Attendance: Kenneth Gibson MSP, Willie Rennie MSP, Richard Simpson MSP, Sheila Duffy, Gillian Griffith, Robert Howe, Marion McGovern, Helen Reilly, Eileen Streets, John Watson

Discussion: This meeting was the Annual General meeting of the Group. It was agreed the name of the Group would remain 'Cross Party Group on Tobacco Control' and the remit and focus would remain as 'to take forward an effective tobacco control in Scotland'. Office Bearer Elections took place:

Convener: Willie Rennie MSP

Vice Conveners: Kenneth Gibson MSP; Richard Simpson MSP

It was noted Ruth Davidson MSP had agreed to be the Conservative member of the Group.

It was agreed that ASH Scotland would continue as secretariat of the Group.

Discussion took place regarding topics for discussion at future meetings.

5. GROUP MEMBERS *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rules 2, 3, 5, 6 & 8*

When listing members, who are MSPs, only the MSPs name need be given. For members from outwith the Parliament, the name of the member and any employer they represent must be given.

MSPs	Non-MSPs Individuals
Group Members	Geoff Earl Gillian Griffith
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<p>Margaret McDougall Mark McDonald Ruth Davidson</p>	<p><u>Membership as at 15/11/12</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASH Scotland (Sheila Duffy, John Watson) • Asthma UK Scotland (Gordon Brown) • British Heart Foundation (Ben McKendrick) • British Medical Association (Scotland) (Erin Boyle) • Cancer Research UK Scotland (Vicky Crichton) • Glasgow City CHP (Karen Gray) • Health Inequalities Alliance (Jacqueline Forde/Jim Swift)) • MacMillan Cancer Support (Peter Hastie) • NHS Health Scotland and The Scottish Government (Celia Gardiner) • Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation (Eileen Streets) • Pfizer UK Ltd (Diane Thomson) • The Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh (Lindsay Paterson) • The Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland (Tom Bell/Robert Howe) • Royal Pharmaceutical Society (Iain Brotchie) • South Ayrshire Council Trading Standards Service (Hamid Gazem) • The Stroke Association (Maddy Halliday) • The University of Stirling Institute of Social Marketing (Gerard Hastings/Crawford Moodie/Susan MacAskill)
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6. GROUP OFFICERS *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 4*

Please amend titles as necessary e.g. to indicate joint office holders, or preferred titles.

Convener	Willie Rennie MSP
Vice-Conveners	Kenneth Gibson MSP and Richard Simpson MSP
Secretary	John Watson, ASH Scotland
Treasurer	N/A

7. FINANCIAL OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED *Code of Conduct 6.3.1 & 6.3.6, 6.4 Rule 10*

The group must register any financial or other material benefit received by the group from whatever source, where the value of the financial sum or benefit from any single source exceeds £500 in any one calendar year. This includes donations, sponsorship, subscriptions, hospitality, gifts, visits, provision of services or accommodation or staff assistance. The value of use of Parliamentary facilities need not be registered.

The details requiring to be registered include a brief description of the benefit, the approximate monetary value, the date on which it was received and the source from which it came. Where a consultancy organisation provides benefits, the client on whose behalf these are provided should be named.

Date	Amount	Description
22/09/11 to 15/11/12	£900 £984.96	Secretariat provided free of charge by ASH Scotland Lunches at six meetings: 22/09/11; 16/11/11; 07/12/11; 22/02/12; 09/05/12; 20/06/12. Provided by ASH Scotland

8. GROUP SUBSCRIPTION *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 9*

Where a group charges or proposes to charge a subscription, this must be reasonable and the same for all members. The amount of the subscription should be registered and the purposes for which it is intended to use the subscription.

Amount per group member per year	N/A
Date subscription applied	N/A

9. GROUP STAFF AS PARLIAMENTARY PASS HOLDERS

If a group makes use of staff issued with a Parliamentary pass, any paid activity undertaken by those staff where the employer benefits from the pass holder's access to the Parliament must be registered. There is no need to state the amount of remuneration. The requirement relates both to staff employed directly by the group and to staff employed by an outside organisation to provide assistance to the group.

Staff name	N/A
Title of post	N/A
Name and address of employer organisation	N/A
Type of employer organisation	N/A

10. GROUP CONTACT Code of Conduct 6.3.4, 6.3.5 and 6.5.1 – 6.5.4

Please give the full details of an elected official of the group who is an MSP who will be the contact for registration matters for the group. Initially this must be the Member who signs the declaration on compliance with the rules on behalf of the group. If a group subsequently changes the designated contact, the office of the Standards Clerk must be informed within 7 days of the change.

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