

Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY
Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Please state the purpose of the Group.2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Purpose of the Group: This is a registration of the Group. The Group's purposes are:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. To help the Scottish Parliament to address issues around the establishment of a Circular Economy.b. To provide MSPs with a source of information and expertise on issues relating to the Circular Economy and related concepts.c. To bring together those with an interest in circular economic issues.d. To encourage co-operation within and outwith the Scottish Parliament in promoting the adoption of circular economic practices.e. To assist the Scottish Parliament in exploring circular economic concepts, meeting with circular economic experts and benefiting from their knowledge and experience.2. Purpose and Public Interest: The purpose of the group is to exchange ideas and learning around the development and support of the circular economy.<p>The group will consider how we progress towards a circular economy in Scotland, exploring barriers and highlighting potential solutions from all stakeholders from business and the third sector to government and consumers.</p><p>The group may consider topics including, waste prevention, recycling, litter and fly-tipping, energy from waste, partnership working, pollution (marine and plastic), public procurement, bio-economy and other key sectors.</p>3. Overlap with other Cross Party Groups: Whilst topics that are discussed may overlap with other Groups, it is recognised that the Circular Economy is a unique concept warranting specific consideration.

4. **Topics for discussion over the next 12 months:** Topics that will be discussed in relation to the Circular Economy include:

- Economic opportunities arising from waste
- Chemical Transparency
- Circular Economy impacts from community and third sector organisations
- Deposit Return Schemes
- Incineration
- Marine plastic pollution
- Recycling capacity and infrastructure
- Re-use of consumer goods
- Smart labelling of goods
- Sustainable textiles
- The impact of waste disposal on local communities
- The global impact of waste exports
- Waste management training and infrastructure

MSP Members of the Group

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

Sarah Boyack MSP, Lab

Finlay Carson MSP, Con

Maurice Golden MSP, Convener, Con

Neil Gray MSP, SNP

Liam Kerr MSP, Con

Monica Lennon MSP, Deputy Convener, Lab

Gillian Martin MSP, Deputy Convenor, SNP

Mark Ruskell MSP, Deputy Convener, Green

Michelle Thomson MSP, SNP

Non-MSP Members of the Group

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals

Mr Paul Smith

Organisations	Keep Scotland Beautiful Scottish Environment LINK Marine Conservation Society Community Resource Network Scotland Fidra Resource Futures
<p>Group Office Bearers</p> <p>Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.</p>	
Convener	Maurice Golden MSP
Deputy Convener	Monica Lennon MSP Gillian Martin MSP Mark Ruskell MSP
Secretary	Phoebe Cochrane; Scottish Environment LINK Catherine Gemmell; Marine Conservation Society Kathryn Gill: Keep Scotland Beautiful Catherin Gunby; Fidra
Treasurer	Phoebe Cochrane; Scottish Environment LINK Catherine Gemmell; Marine Conservation Society Kathryn Gill: Keep Scotland Beautiful Catherin Gunby; Fidra
<p>Financial Benefits or Other Benefits</p> <p>Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This</p>	

includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

No such financial benefit is anticipated.

Subscription Charged by the Group

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

No Subscription is charged

Convener Contact Details

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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on **THE CIRCULAR ECONOMY** is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed	Maurice Golden MSP
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Date	31 st August 2021
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