

Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Construction
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.
<p>The aim of the Group is to ensure that Scotland has a world-class construction industry delivering best value for its clients, a safe environment on its sites and a proper career path and employment prospects for its people.</p> <p>The Cross-Party Group (CPG) will be the forum for Members of the Scottish Parliament (MSPs), construction industry stakeholders and interested parties to engage directly with each other in order to raise awareness of the opportunities and challenges facing the sector and to better inform the development of policy.</p> <p>We don't believe there are any significant overlaps with the purpose of existing CPG's. In the last Parliament we identified two CPG's with related purposes. These were the CPG on Housing and the CPG on Architecture and Built Environment.</p> <p>The CPG on construction should be re-established because the construction industry plays a key role in how we live, work, learn and play. It is the industry which makes and enhances places and will have a central role in re-shaping those places to better suit the new ways of living and working which emerge from the Covid-19 recovery.</p> <p>Furthermore, the construction industry is an important contributor to the Scottish economy – directly supporting £8.5bn in Scottish GVA and</p>

supporting over 170,000 full-time equivalent jobs. This is c10% of the Scottish workforce, with up to a further 60,000 self-employed workers working across the sector.

In Scotland, as we look to build a fair and sustainable recovery from the pandemic, we will need the support and ingenuity of the construction industry. The construction industry, with its skilled workforce will be central in enabling Scotland to deliver on its climate change ambitions. At the same time, employers of all sizes across the construction sector will need the support of our policy makers and effective collaboration with the education sector to attract and retain skilled workers.

The CPG on Construction will be the forum for MSPs to engage with construction industry stakeholders as Scotland builds a sustainable recovery from the pandemic and works towards delivering upon its climate change ambitions.

Over the next 12 months the Group anticipates discussing the following topics:

- Carbon reduction in construction
- Embedding energy efficiency and retrofit works into the everyday practices of builders to help reduce the heat demand from Scotland's homes
- Improving the energy performance of existing warehousing, commercial and manufacturing buildings.
- Labour and skills shortages in the construction industry.
- Apprenticeship and diversity within the construction industries workforce.

MSP Members of the Group

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

Monica Lennon MSP Scottish Labour

Paul McLennan MSP Scottish National Party
 Alexander Burnett MSP Scottish Conservatives
 Graham Simpson MSP Scottish Conservatives
 Mark Griffin MSP Scottish Labour
 Paul Sweeney MSP Scottish Labour

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

Organisations

Association for Consultancy and Engineering
 Building and Engineering Services Association
 Civil Engineering Contractors Association Scotland
 Chartered Institute of Building
 Considerate Contractors Scheme
 Construction Industry Training Board
 Energy and Utility Skills
 Engineering Construction Industry Training Board
 Engineered Panels in Construction Ltd
 Forth Valley College of Further and Higher Education
 Federation of Master Builders
 Finishes and Interiors Sector
 Glass and Glazing Federation
 Homes for Scotland
 Institution of Civil Engineers
 Institution of Structural Engineers
 National Housing Building Council Scotland

	Mineral Products Association Scotland Royal Incorporation of Architects Scotland Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors Scottish Building Federation Scottish Contractors Group Scottish Enterprise Scottish Futures Trust Scottish and Northern Ireland Plumbing Employers' Federation SELECT The Association of Environmental Clerks of Works The Association for Project Safety The Church of Scotland Unite the Union
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Group Office Bearers

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.

Convener	Monica Lennon MSP
Deputy Conveners	Paul McLennan MSP Alexander Burnett MSP
Secretary	Gordon Nelson, Federation of Master Builders
Treasurer	Grahame Barn, Civil Engineers Contractors Association

Financial Benefits or Other Benefits

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

None.

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 charge to be levied this year.

Convener Contact Details

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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct

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

Signed	Monica Lennon MSP
Date	05/10/2021