

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Construction

DATE GROUP ESTABLISHED (the date of establishment is the date in this parliamentary session that the Group held its initial meeting, where the office bearers were elected and not the date that the Group was accorded recognition. All Groups should hold their AGMs on, or before, the anniversary of this date.)

8 September 2021

DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

6 November 2024

DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

19 November 2024

DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11-13 months of the previous AGM]

25 October 2023

GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Please provide details of each meeting of the Group including the date of the meeting, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and the MSP and non-MSP attendance figures.

Details of any other activities, such as visits undertaken by the Group or papers/report published by the Group should also be provided.

25th October 2023. Meeting in the Scottish Parliament. The Group heard from Scottish Water on their ambitious target of reaching net zero by 2040. Scottish Water shared real-life examples of how they as a major client of construction have reduced or removed carbon from the construction process.

3 MSPs in attendance

20 non-MSPs in attendance

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24th January 2024. Meeting held online. Peter Reekie of the Scottish Futures Trust and Morag Angus from the Scottish Government presented about the Transformation Action Plan of the Scottish Construction Accord.

2 MSPs in attendance

27 non-MSPs in attendance

9th May 2024. Meeting in the Scottish Parliament. There was a joint presentation from Richard Park of Hub North Scotland, Paul McGirk of Hub South East and Angeline Robertson of Hub West on the Scotland wide Hub initiative.

1 MSP in attendance

16 non-MSPS in attendance

6 November 2024. The CPG received a presentation from Gordon Nelson of the Federation of Master Builders (FMB) on the campaign to licence UK construction. A discussion of the scope, standards and potential sanctions of a licensing scheme followed.

3 MSPs in attendance

26 non-MSPs in attendance

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Monica Lennon MSP Scottish Labour Party

Alexander Burnett MSP Scottish Conservative Party

Gordon MacDonald MSP Scottish National Party

Graham Simpson MSP Scottish Conservative Party

Sharon Dowey MSP Scottish Conservative Party

Lorna Slater MSP Scottish Green Party

NON-MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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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

John Kane

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

Evolution Fasteners UK

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

McLaughlin & Harvey

Mineral Products Association Scotland

Morgan Sindall Construction

National Housing Building Council Scotland

Resource Management Association Scotland

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Royal Incorporation of Architects Scotland

Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors

Sisaltech

Scottish Building Federation

Scottish Canals

Scottish Contractors Group

Scottish Enterprise

Scottish Futures Trust

Scottish and Northern Ireland Plumbing Employers' Federation

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The Association of Environmental Clerks of Works

The Association for Project Safety

The Church of Scotland

Unite the Union

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: Alexander Burnett MSP and Gordon MacDonald MSP

Secretary: Yvonne Wilson, SELECT

Treasurer: Grahame Barn, Civil Engineering Contractors Association Scotland

FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE GROUP

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Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) received 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.

Details of material support should include the name of the individual providing support, the value of this support over the year, an estimate of the time spent providing this support and the name of the organisation that this individual is employed by / affiliated to in providing this support.

Groups should provide details of the date on which the benefit was received, the value of the benefit and a brief description of the benefit.

If the Group is not disclosing any financial information please tick the box to confirm that the Group has considered the support received, but concluded it totalled under the threshold for disclosure (£500).

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

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

Details:

At the AGM of the Cross-Party Group (CPG) in 2022, members agreed to support the Treasurers proposal that invoices should be raised and sent to the member companies/organisations of the CPG. This was to ensure that we had funds available to meet catering costs for meetings going forward.

This was the first time since November 2016 that a request for financial support had been made to CPG members. At the 2024 AGM, the Treasurer confirmed that no invoices would be raised for subscriptions this year.

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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