

Cross-Party Group on Culture and Communities

09 December 2025, online

Minute

Present

MSPs

Claire Baker MSP

Clare Adamson MSP

Invited guests

None

Non-MSP Group Members

Joseph Peach – Culture Counts

Kathryn Welch – Culture Counts

Apologies

None

Agenda item 1: Review of the year

A draft review of the year's activities of the Cross Party Group was reviewed and agreed. The Secretariat will now draft the annual return for the group, for submission to the Parliamentary Clerks.

Agenda item 2: Election of Office Bearers

Claire Baker MSP stood as Convenor. Proposed by Clare Adamson MSP, seconded by Joseph Peach.

Clare Adamson MSP stood as Deputy Convenor. Proposed by Claire Baker MSP, seconded by Joseph Peach.

Culture Counts stood as Secretariat. Proposed by Claire Baker MSP, seconded by Clare Adamson MSP.

Agenda item 3: Look ahead

The group agreed to hold a next meeting of the Cross Party Group online in late February 2026, looking at understanding impact in culture and communities. Date to follow.