

Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Dyslexia

Date Group Established

28th September 2021

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

11th December 2025

Date Annual Return Submitted

21st December 2025

Date of Preceding AGM

4th December 2024

Group Meetings and Activities

4th December 2024

Update on progress at the meeting on the actions

Objective One: Secure policy change to enable adults to access free dyslexia assessments at the point of contact, regardless of background

Progress Update:

- Dyslexia Scotland, in partnership with the University of Glasgow, published a national report highlighting lived experiences of adults with dyslexia and the barriers to accessing assessment in Scotland.

- The report was raised at First Minister's Questions by Oliver Mundell MSP, drawing attention to inequitable access to free adult assessments.
- A meeting with the First Minister was held to discuss these concerns and explore potential policy options and solutions.

Objective Two: Influence Scottish Government policy and strategy to improve IT support and digital education for dyslexic learners in schools

Progress Update:

- Engagement took place with the LDAN Bill Team to raise concerns around digital accessibility and support for dyslexic pupils.
- A follow-up meeting has been scheduled with the Cabinet Secretary for Education and the Minister for Social Care, Mental Wellbeing and Sport.
- These issues were also raised directly during the meeting with the First Minister.

Proposed Actions:

- Write via COSLA to all local authorities requesting information on current local dyslexia strategies and digital support provision.
- Arrange an MSP visit to CALL Scotland offices to showcase best practice and innovative assistive technology solutions.

28th May

- Presentation from young pupils of Trinity Primary School on the impact of the Edinburgh City Council Literacy project supported by Dyslexia Scotland and Sir Sean Connery Foundation
- Presentation from three adults who have dyslexia on the impact that this has on their everyday life.
- Updates on the meeting with the First Minister, CabSec Education and Minister for Health and Wellbeing.

11th December

- Presentation for Hillary Aitken of Edinburgh City Council on the joint project that has taken place over the last 3 years via support of Sir Sean Connery Foundation and Dyslexia Scotland.
- Discussion on the main areas objectives that had been set in 2024 and agreement on what has to still be taken forward and what is required further action

MSP Members of The Group

Oliver Mundell MSP

Stuart McMillian MSP

Fulton MacGregor MSP

Paul O'Kane MSP

Rachael Hamilton MSP

Finlay Carson MSP

Non-MSP Members of The Group

Individuals	Dr. Julie Ross, Jennie Guise, Dr. Gillian Evans, Dr. Margaret Crombie, Dean Smith, Owen Ferry, Paul McNeil,
Organisations	Dyslexia Scotland, Dyslexia Scotland Adult Network, Call Scotland, University of Edinburgh, Glasgow University, Education Scotland

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	Oliver Mundell MSP and Stuart McMillian MSP
Deputy Convener	
Secretary	Paul McNeill
Treasurer	N/A

Financial Benefits or Other Benefits

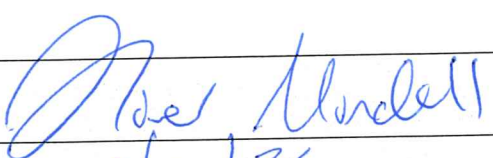
Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

N/A

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CONVENER

COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 6 OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT (Please tick all boxes that apply)

I, Oliver Mundell MSP, a Convener of the Cross-Party Group on Dyslexia hereby declare that, in line with the requirements of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct, this CPG has:

5 MSP Members from 3 different political parties	X
Held at least 2 quorate meetings in the last 12 months	X
Held an AGM within 11-13months of the date of registration or the last AGM	x
Submitted an annual return form within 30 calendar days of the AGM	x
Provided Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings	x
Provided minutes of all meetings	X
Signed	
Date	08/01/26