Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Dyslexia

PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

The Cross-Party Group on Dyslexia aims to establish a forum whereby those affected by dyslexia and the organisations which represent their interests can share their experience and expertise and further aims to find a platform for discussion with MSPs and to keep them informed of the issues raised. The group will work towards a specific work programme to target particular issues surrounding dyslexia such as its impact on education, employment, health and offending. The group will seek to raise greater public awareness and understanding of dyslexia and promote good practice in terms of supporting those with dyslexia and giving the necessary support to individuals, families and communities affected by dyslexia.

Dyslexia can impact on a person's ability to learn and reach their full potential, their mental health and well- being, their behaviours, and everyday life. It is estimated that 10% of the population have dyslexia.

Over the next twelve months the CPG will consider issues relating to the impact of dyslexia on:

- 1. Education and learning
- 2. Health, particularly mental health
- 3. Behaviours, particularly offending behaviour
- 4. Training and employment

Specific issues will include:

- The impact and legacy of the pandemic on those impacted by dyslexia;
- The implications and consequences of the current data collection processes around the identification of dyslexia in Scottish local authority areas
- The accessibility and costs of adult assessments

- The role and responsibilities of the successor to the Scottish Qualification Authority and Education Scotland in relation to quality assurances processes and practices around dyslexia.
- Issues affecting BEM children, young people and adults
- Exploring aspects of neurodiversity around economic benefits and workplace awareness
- Awareness of dyslexia and assessments in BAME communities taking the language barriers into consideration

MSP Members of the Group

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

Oliver Mundell (Conservative)

Stuart McMillan (SNP)

Pam Gosal (Conservative)

Paul O'Kane (Scottish Labour)

Rachael Hamilton (Conservative)

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	David Jones
	Dean Smith
	Owen Ferry
	Gillian Evans
	Dr. Margaret Crombie
	Julie Ross
	Dr. Jenny Guise
	Ross Duncan
Organisations	Dyslexia Scotland
	Mindroom

Call 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
Deputy Convener	Stuart McMillan MSP
Secretary	David Jones
Treasurer	David Jones

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

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.

£8 per member to cover refreshments at meetings and printing costs

Convener Contact Details

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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct

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

Signed	
Date	29 th September 2021