CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Gaelic/Buidheann Thar Phàrtaidh Gàidhlig

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.)

15th June 2016

DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

20th September 2022

DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

06 October 2022

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]

First meeting this session/Election of office bearers: 25th October 2021

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 2021

Main subjects discussed:

- 1. Education Data 2020-21
- 2. Preparing for the National Gaelic Language Plan: information update on consultations
- 3. SpeakGaelic

Attendance figures:

4 MSP

9 Non-MSP Group Members

29 Other Attendees

6th December 2021

Main subjects discussed:

- 1. National Islands Plan Survey Results (Relating to Gaelic)
- 2. Update on Public Meetings on Gaelic Medium Education (Renfrew and Fife)
- 3. Scottish Enterprise Presentation

Attendance Figures:

2 MSP

9 Non-MSP Group Members

17 Other Attendees

9th February 2022:

Main subjects discussed:

- 1. MG ALBA Lèirsinn: A Route Map for Gaelic Media 2022-2027
- 2. Sabhal Mòr Ostaig: The Route Ahead

Attendance Figures:

5 MSP

8 Non-MSP Group Members

22 Other Attendees

23rd May 2022:

Main subjects discussed:

- 1. Comann nam Pàrant: Language Rights in the UNCRC (United Nations Convention of the Rights of the Child)
- 2. MG ALBA: Parity for Gaelic in Westminster's Broadcasting Bill

Attendance Figures:

4 MSP

7 Non-MSP Group Members

25 Other Attendees

21st June 2022:

Main subjects discussed:

1. National Gaelic Language Plan 2023-28

Attendance Figures:

3 MSP

6 Non-MSP Group Members

15 Other Attendees

20th September 2022:

Main subjects discussed:

1. AGM

2. National Gaelic Language Plan Consultation

Attendance Figures:

4 MSPs

7 Non-MSP Group Members

15 Other Attendees

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Dr Alasdair Allan, Scottish National Party

Donald Cameron, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

Rhoda Grant, Scottish Labour Party

Ariane Burgess, Scottish Green Party

Jenni Minto, Scottish National Party

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 Carole Henderson	
Organisations An Comunn Gàidhealach Bòrd na Gàidhlig Cearcall Còmhraidh Fìobha Cearcall Còmhraidh Dhùn Èideann Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Comhairle nan Leabhraichean Comunn na Gàidhlig Fèisean nan Gàidheal Free Church of Scotland MG Alba Misneachd Sabhal Mòr Ostaig The Highland Council University of the Highlands and Islands	

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	Alasdair Allan
Deputy Convener	Donald Cameron
Secretary	Bòrd na Gàidhlig
Treasurer	N/A

FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE GROUP

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.

Bòrd na Gàidhlig provides secretariat support. This is an in-kind contribution with a value of approximately £1,000

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

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

Nil

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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