Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on

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.)

07 October 2021

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

23 October 2023

Date Annual Return Submitted

22 November 2023

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

28 October 2022

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.

26 June 2023

Discussions of the opportunities for collaboration between the FinTech sectors of Scotland and India.

MSP members: 3 MSP non-members: 1 Non-MSP membership: 1

Invited guests: 6

23 October 2023

AGM and discussion of future work programme.

MSP Members: 6 MSP non-members: 1 Non-MSP membership: 1

Invited guests: 3

MSP Members of The Group

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

Pam Gosal MSP Scottish Conservative Party

Ivan McKee Scottish National Party

Paul O'Kane MSP Scottish Labour Party

Sandesh Gulhane MSP Scottish Conservative Party

Sarah Boyack MSP Scottish Labour Party

Foysol Choudhury Scottish Labour Party Jackson Carlaw Scottish Conservative Party

James Dornan Scottish National Party

Murdo Fraser Scottish Conservative Party

Jamie Halcro Johnston Scottish Conservative Party

Miles Briggs Scottish Conservative Party

Douglas Lumsden Scottish Conservative Party

Sharon Dowey
Scottish Conservative Party

Alexander Stewart Scottish Conservative 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	
Organisations	PG Paper
	Consulate of India

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, coconveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Convener	Pam Gosal MSP
Deputy Convener	Ivan McKee MSP Paul O'Kane MSP
Secretary	PG Paper
Treasurer	PG Paper

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.

The group receives no annual support that amounts to more than £500.

Individual MSP Members of the group received financial support for flights, accommodation and transport during a delegation to India in 2023. This can be viewed on each Members' individual Register of Interests.

The group Members that received such financial support are:

Pam Gosal MSP

Sharon Dowey MSP

Foysol Choudhary MSP

Alexander Stewart MSP

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CONVENER

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

I, Convener of the Cross-Party Group on <X>, 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		
Held at least 2 quorate meetings in the last 12 months		
Held an AGM within 11-13months of the date of registration or the last AGM		
Submitted an annual return form within 30 calendar days of the AGM		
Provided Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings		
Provided minutes of all meetings		X
Signed	P.Gosal Pam Cosal	
Date	22.11.2023	