Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Please read Section 6 of the Code of Conduct before completing this form.

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Islands
Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics 1. Please state the purpose of the Group. The purpose of the Group remains the same as in Session 6, specifically: The Cross-Party Group on Islands provides a forum for the discussion of issues relevant to Scotland's islands and the residents of island communities, and it aims to improve links between the Scottish Parliament and island communities. 2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest. Through the Islands (Scotland) Act 2018, the Scottish Parliament recognised that Scotland's Island communities have distinct needs and opportunities that require different approaches to the delivery of public services, as well as better recognition within policy and legislation. The CPG on Islands provides a forum for island residents, businesses and stakeholders to discuss relevant issues, creating connections and growing the understanding of island matters, needs and aspirations across the Scottish Parliament. 3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established. There is no overlap with other CPGs. The closest in terms of purpose is the Cross-Party Group on Rural Policy which, however, looks more broadly at the diversity of rural Scotland rather than focusing on the distinct needs and opportunities of island communities. 4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

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Members agreed the following priority topics for the first 12 months:

1. Island Community Impact Assessments (ICIAs): this topic would draw on learning from the implementation of ICIAs since they came into legal effect in December 2020 in order to examine what is working well and where improvements or changes could be introduced.
2. Public Sector Reform in island regions: this topic would explore the implications of delivering PSR in island regions, looking at various models including the single authority model as well as mechanisms for island communities to shape decision making and service delivery.
3. Community benefits from the energy transition including community ownership models and approaches to tackling fuel poverty: this topic picks up on joint work undertaken with the Scottish Parliament Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Cross Party Group (SPREEE) in the previous session.
4. Lifting barriers to island enterprise and community-led development: further exploration of topics around flexible funding and investment, and flexible regulation raised during the Islands Economy Showcase which was held in the previous session
5. Marine litter: this topic would focus on specific priorities within Scotland's Marine Litter Strategy

MSP Members of the Group

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group. In doing so please note:

- Section 6 of the Code of Conduct requires there be 5 members from the parties represented on the Parliamentary Bureau. The SPPA Committee agreed a waiver for this session that requires 5 MSP members from 5 parties represented on the Bureau;
- MSPs can be on no more than 10 CPGs of which fulfil no more than 3 office-bearer positions;
- If the group fails to comply with MSP membership requirements, the Convener must ensure this is resolved within 90 days.

MSP	Party
Kristopher Leask MSP	Scottish Greens
	Scottish Liberal Democrats
	Scottish National Party
	Scottish Labour

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Liam McArthur MSP Jenni Minto MSP Donald MacKinnon MSP Tim Eagle MSP Andrew Baxter MSP Victor Currie MSP	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Scottish Liberal Democrats Reform UK
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	Scott Adams Stella Alavijeh David Cameron Douglas Scott Michael Dobson Kaydence Drayak Don Esson Christine Gillies Ian Hopkins Anne Kelley Mary Ann Kennedy Jean Mary Knowles

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	Laurence Lasselle Finlay MacDonald Mairi Mackenzie Kenneth MacLennan Liz Mcknockiter Ann Nisbet Christopher Rice Susan Thomson David Wardrop-White
Organisations	ALIenergy Ann Nisebet Studio Aquatera Argyll & Bute Business Gateway Argyll & Bute Council Argyll & Bute Social Care Partnership Argyll TSI Arran Community and Voluntary Service Arran Community Council Arran Development Trust Arran Eco Savvy BBC Radio Orkney Bòrd na Gàidhlig Bornish Community Council Breasclete Community Council Bressay Development Ltd Business Energy Scotland Cairngorms National Park Authority Caledonian MacBrayne Canna Campsite / Isle of Canna Community Dev Trust Carbon Neutral Islands - Barra & Vatersay Carbon Neutral Islands (Cumbrae) Changeworks CHARTS (Culture, Heritage & Arts, Argyll & Isles) Climate Hebrides CMAL CNE Siar - Settlement Officer CoDeL Community Development Lens Coimhearsnachd Bharraidh agus Bhatarsaidh (Barra & Vatersay Community) Ltd Coll Community Council Comann Dualchas Innse Gall Comann Eachdraidh Eirisgeidh Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Communities Housing Trust Community Energy Scotland Community Land Outer Hebrides

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	Cothrom Creative Scotland Crofting Commission CROW-Colin Ross Workshop Crown Estate Scotland Culture Counts Cumbrae Youth Project Cycling UK Development Trust Association Scotland Doug Blackie Consulting Inc Dougarie Estate Dualchas Architects Dunvegan Community Trust Dùthchas Arainn CBS & Arran Island Plan Steering Group (Environment Strand Co-Lead) Eday Partnership European Marine Energy Centre Ferries Community Board Ferries Community Board & Coll Community Council Fraser Architecture LLP & 7-22 Systems Ltd Greener Orkney Harris Voluntary Service Heathbank Ltd Heriot-Watt University HIE – Argyll Highlands & Islands Enterprise HITRANS Home Energy Scotland Institute for northern studies UHI Ipsos International Resources and Recycling Institute Islay Community Council Islay Development Initiative Islay Energy Trust/Carbon Neutral Islands Islay Whisky Academy Isle Develop CIC / Tiree Community Development Trust Isle of Canna Community Development Trust Isle of Cumbrae Initiative Community Company Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust Isle of Luing Community Trust James Hutton Institute Jura Stores Kilmoluag Liosmor Local Energy Scotland Mobility and Access Committee for Scotland (MACS) Muirneag Consulting - for Point & Sandwick Trust Mull & Iona Ferry Committee Mull and Iona Community Trust

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	Mull Community Council National Centre for Resilience NFU Scotland North Ayrshire Council North Ayrshire Council - Housing & Public Protection North Isles Councillor North Ronaldsay Trust North West Mull Community Woodland Co. Ltd. North Yell Development Council Office of Angus MacDonald MP Orkney Boreray Orkney Builders (Contractors) Limited Orkney Rape & Sexual Assault Service (ORSAS) Outer Hebrides CLLD/Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Pairc Trust Papay Development Trust Papay Ranger Plunkett UK Point and Sandwick Trust Polycrub Pragmatix Advisory Queen Margaret University Raasay Development Trust Regional Screen Scotland REWDT Robert Gordon University RSPB Rural Health Compass Rural Policy Centre (SRUC) Rural Youth Action Network Saltwater Gallery Sanday Community Council Sanday Development Trust Save Ardrossan Harbour SAYFC Scotland Office, UK Government Scottish Fuel Poverty Advisory Panel

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	Scottish Futures Trust Scottish Government Scottish Government Islands Team Scottish Islands Federation Scottish Islands Passport Scottish Rural & Island Transport Community Scottish Rural Action Scottish Rural Network Scottish Womens Convention Shapinsay Development Trust Shetland Arts Shetland Fishermen's Association Shetland Islands Council South Ronanldsay and Burray Community Council (SRBCC) Orkney Islands South West Mull & Iona Development SRB Community Council Staffin Community Trust Stonnivation Ltd Storas Uibhist Strathairn Development Company Stromness Community Council/Stromness Community Development Trust Stronsay Development Trust Stronsay, Orkney Tagsa Uibhist Taste of Arran The AMAZE Project The Hebridean Trust The Pairc Trust & Co-Chomunn na Pairc The Poverty Alliance Thorntons Law LLP Tiree Commuity Council Tiree Community Development Trust Tiree Makery Tor Justad Associates TSI Western Isles Turntown UK UHI Institute for North Studies UHI North, West & Hebrides UHI Outer Hebrides Uig Community Council Uisge Beatha nan Eilean Umeå Universitet University Centre of the Westfjords University of Aberdeen University of Edinburgh Unst Partnership Ltd

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	Urras Oighreachd Ghabhsainn Visit Arran Visit Scotland VOX Scotland Young Islanders Network
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. Please note: • No more than 3 named contacts per CPG - the Convener, the Secretary and one other individual who can provide information to the Standards Clerks about the activities of the Group. The Convener of a Group must confirm the name of this individual.	
Convener	Liam McArthur MSP
Co-Convener	Jenni Minto MSP
Secretary	Scottish Rural Action (SRA) artemis@sra.scot
Named Contact	Ashley Benson ashley.benson@parliament.scot
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	

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donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.
Secretariat support (in kind) provided by Scottish Rural Action and the Scottish Islands Federation, each organisation contributing an estimated £1,000 equivalent in staff hours per annum.
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.
None

Statement on Compliance with the Code of Conduct. Must be read and signed by the Convener.

Please read the following:
• The Convener of a Group is primarily responsible for ensuring that the Group complies with the Code of Conduct;
• The Convener is solely responsible for providing Standards Clerks with:
  ○ The names of new MSP members of the CPG and changes to office-bearers;
  ○ Named contact details;
  ○ The registration form;
  ○ All minutes of meetings within 30 days of the meeting being held; **(Substantially verbatim minutes will not be accepted and will be returned)**
  ○ The AGM return (to be submitted within 30 days of the AGM to be held within 11 – 13 months of the initial meeting).
• Groups are required to have five MSPs from five of the parties represented on the Parliamentary Bureau;
• CPGs must hold at least two formal meetings per year (not on the same day), where two MSPs members of the Group are present;
• CPGs must provide Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings;

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- If a CPG meeting is cancelled or rearranged, notification must be provided to the Standards clerks by no later than the day after the meeting was originally scheduled to take place;
- If a Group fails to comply fully with the Code for more than one year in a row, the Committee will withdraw recognition from that Group.

I declare that I have read the above and that the Cross-Party Group on Islands is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.
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<tr><td>Signed (Convener)</td><td>
Liam McArthur</td></tr>
<tr><td>Date</td><td>08/10/26</td></tr>
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