

Cross Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Shared Parenting

Tuesday 8th November 2022

Meeting via Zoom 1800 - 2000 hours

Agenda

- 1 Welcome and introductions**
- 2 Apologies**
- 3 New members and changes**
- 4 Minutes of June meeting and matters arising**
- 5 The Invisible Man: the absence of fathers in publicity for children and families services.**
Dr Gary Clapton (University of Edinburgh) will share and update his research on fathers, and its impact.
- 6 How Scotland could benefit from new EU legislation on family leave and work-life balance**
Professor Alison Koslowski is the lead editor of the International Review on Leave Policies & Research 2022 which reviews the parenting leave policies across 49 countries (including Scotland). This publication has led to work with the European Commission as it developed – and now implements – new EU legislation on family leaves and work-life balance. The new legislation has improved rights for all parents (mothers and fathers) and other carers. She considers what Scotland would need to change to match our EU neighbours in this policy area.

Related links:

www.leavenetwork.org

https://ec.europa.eu/info/policies/justice-and-fundamental-rights/gender-equality/women-labour-market-work-life-balance/eu-legislation-family-leaves-and-work-life-balance_en#right-to-parental-leave

7 Future meeting items

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