Cross-Party Group on St. Andrew's Day AGM

Monday 3 October 2022 at 5.30pm (Zoom meeting)

Minute

Present

MSPs

Paul McLennan, Michelle Thomson

Invited guests

None

Non-MSP Group Members

David Williamson, Christina Hendry, Callum MacLeod, Rev. Neil Galbraith, Maureen Sier, Iain Stewart, Dennis Canavan, Joe Goldblatt (by phone)

Apologies

David Lonsdale, Michael Veitch, Ian Sirrell

Agenda item 1

Paul McLennan welcomed all attending

Agenda item 2

Minutes of last AGM held on 8 September 2021 were approved. No business arising

Agenda item 3

Minutes of last meeting held on 9 June 2022 were approved. No business arising.

Agenda item 4

Election of office-bearers

Convener; Paul McLennan MSP

Deputy Conveners: Michelle Thomson MSP and Alex Rowley MSP

Secretary: Dennis Canavan

Agenda item 5

Annual Report: 3 meetings had been held since the last AGM, all of them virtual meetings because of Covid restrictions. Main business was preparing for multi-cultural, inter-faith event at Scottish Parliament on 30 November 2022.

Secretary contacted Leaders of all 32 local councils requesting information on what they did to celebrate St. Andrew's Day. Only 8 had replied so far. Agreed to make further contact with those who had not replied

Agenda item 6

It was agreed to open a bank account with the Bank of Scotland in the name of the group, with Joe Goldblatt and Dennis Canavan as co-signatories.

Agenda item 7

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 15 November 2022 at 6pm