## **Cross-Party Group Annual Return**

# Name of Cross-Party Group

# **Cross-Party Group on St. Andrew's Day**

**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.)

8 September 2021

# **Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

3 October 2022

#### **Date Annual Return Submitted**

1 March 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]

8 September 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.

3 November 2021 :3 MSPs , 7 non-MSPs, 20thers. Main items were Winter Festivals Programme and future Inter-faith Event.

16 March 2022: 3MSPs, 6non-MSPs,4 others. Main items were report on St. Andrew's Day 2021 events and preparation for Interfaith Event 2022

### **MSP Members of The Group**

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

Paul McLennan(SNP), Michelle Thomson(SNP), Craig Hoy(Conservative),Rachael Hamilton(Conservative),Alex Rowley(Labour),Murdo Fraser(Conservative), Martin Whitfield(Labour),Gillian Martin(SNP),Tom Arthur(SNP), Rona Mackay(SNP),Mark Griffin(Labour)

# **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	Dennis Canavan, Joe Goldblatt, Rami Ousta, Christina Hendry, Dave Moxham, Richard Walker, Ian Sirrell, Anthony Horan, Isabel Smyth, Par Kelly, Michael Veitch, Alex Salmond, Ella Willcox David Lonsdale, Jalal Chaudry, Jordi Albareda, Danny Boyle, Ephraim Borowski, Callum MacLeod, Fraser Thompson, Ian Scott, Maureen Sier, Ruhy Parris, Gavin Mowat, Rev. Neil Galbraith, Iain Stewart, Trishna Singh, Will Gibb, Liza Boffen-Yordanov
Organisations	BEMIS, STUC, Catholic Archdiocese of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, Scottish Retail Consortium, Fair Saturday, Scottish Iter-faith Council, Edinburgh Interfaith Council, Sikh Sanjog, The Scottish Flag Trust

# **Group Office Bearers**

Deputy Conveners: Michelle Thomson, Alex Rowley, Craig Hoy

**Secretary: Dennis Canavan** 

**Treasurer: Joe Goldblatt** 

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	Paul McLennan
Deputy Convener	Michelle Thomson, Alex Rowley, Craig Hoy

**Secretary** Dennis Canavan

Treasurer Joe Goldblatt

**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.

£3000 from Belhaven Brewery/Greene King

£1000 from St. Andrews University

250 boxes of shortbread@ £4 per box from Walkers Shortbread

All of the above were to meet expenses, fees and gifts for the St. Andrew's Day Event organised by the CPG, held in the Scottish Parliament on 30 November 2022

#### 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 St. Andrew's Day, 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 (Sorry this is late due to Secretary being unaware of dead-line)		
Provided Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings		
Provided minutes of all meetings		
Signed	Paul McLennan	
Date 1 March 2023		