Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Tourism
Date Group Established
25 October 2021
Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)
14 November 2022
Date Annual Return Submitted
12 December 2022
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]
25 October 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.
25 October 2022   Attendance: 6 MSPs, 26 Non-MSPs

Establishment of Group in this Parliamentary session
Election of Office Bearers
Open discussion on group priorities for this session

17 January 2022
Attendance: 6 MSPs, 25 Non-MSPs
Presentation from CPG member Marc Crothall on the STA Tourism and Hospitality Industry Survey
External presentation from Lord Thurso, Chairman of VisitScotland on a sustainable recovery for the industry

13 June 2022
Attendance: 5 MSPs; 24 Non-MSPs
External presentation from Sam Coulstock FIH, Head of Professional Development, Institute of Hospitality on recruitment and retention challenges
External presentation from Vicki Miller, Director of Marketing & Digital, VisitScotland on outlook for the season

14 November 2022
Attendance: 5 MSPs; 26 Non-MSPs
AGM business, including election of Office Bearers
External presentation from Charandeep Singh, Deputy Chief Executive Scottish Chambers of Commerce and;
Presentation from Gordon Morrison, CEO of Association of Scotland's Visitor Attractions on cost of doing business.

MSP Members of The Group

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

Paul McLennan MSP, Scottish National Party
Evelyn Tweed MSP, Scottish National Party
Murdo Fraser MSP, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party
Colin Smyth MSP, Scottish Labour
Rachael Hamilton MSP, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party
Siobhian Brown MSP, Scottish National Party
Alexander Burnett MSP, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party
Foysol Choudhury MSP, Scottish Labour
Jenni Minto MSP, Scottish National Party
Paul Sweeney MSP, Scottish 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	Scott McMurray, Evelyn Tweed MSP staff Ross Cunningham Gary Atkinson
Organisations	Air BnB
	Association of Scottish Self Caters
	Association of Scottish Visitor Attractions
	BACTA
	Diageo
	Edinburgh College
	Expedia
	Glasgow Chamber of Commerce
	Heritage Railway Association
	Hostelling Scotland
	Inverclyde Council
	Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park
	Loch Earn Tourism Information
	Love Loch Lomond
	Napier University
	National Trust for Scotland
	NewsDirect
	Paths for All
	Scotch Whisky Association
	ScotRail
	Scottish Agritourism
	Scottish B and B Association
	Scottish Chambers of Commerce

	Scottish Country Sports Tourism Group
	Scottish Destination Management Association
	Scottish Enterprise
	Scottish Guest House and B&B Association
	Scottish Land & Estates
	Scottish Licenced Trade Association
	Scottish Retail Consortium
	Scottish Rugby
	Scottish Tourist Guides Association
	Scottish Golf Tourism Development Group
	SenScot
	Skills Development Scotland
	SLAED Tourism Group
	Springboard
	Scottish Tourism Association
	Stirling Council
	UK Chinese Times
	UK Hospitality
	UK Short Term Accommodation Association
	UKInbound
	Visit Arran
	VisitAberdeenshire
	VisitDunfermline
	VisitScotland
	Wild About Argyll
	Wild Scotland
	Wilderness Scotland
	Winnock Hotel

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.

Convener's	Paul McLennan MSP Evelyn Tweed MSP
Deputy Convener's	Colin Smyth MSP Murdo Fraser MSP
Secretary	Gavin Mowat, VisitScotland
Treasurer	Scott McMurray, Evelyn Tweed MSP staff

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.

Nil

Convener Contact Details

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