

Agenda

Cross-Party Group on Visual Impairment

**Tuesday 27 May 2025, 18.00-19.45, online
and Committee Room 3, Scottish
Parliament**

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Visual Impairment #CPGVI

Purpose of the group:

The Cross-Party Group on Visual Impairment draws together the blind and partially sighted sector in Scotland to identify issues competent to the Scottish Parliament and seeks, in a reasonable fashion, to influence policy, legislation and decision makers to better reflect the needs of blind and partially sighted people.

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Agenda item 1 - Welcome, introductions and apologies

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Agenda item 2 - Approval of minutes of meeting of 4 March 2025

Agenda item 3 - Matters arising and Action Points

Agenda item 4 – Making voting accessible

Jamie Hepburn MSP, Minister for Parliamentary Business, Update on work on new approaches to making voting more accessible.

Sarah Mackie, Head, Electoral Commission (Scotland), and Jim Savege, Chief Executive, Aberdeenshire Council and Chair of the Electoral Management Board (EMB) Sub-group on Accessibility, Preparation for the 2026 Scottish Parliament Elections.

Followed by Q and A with panel including Chris Highcock, Secretary, EMB.

Agenda item 5 – Update on the work of the Cross-Party Group on Deafness Working Group on Sensory Care and Dementia

Roz McCall MSP, Working Group Convener, and Amy White, Senior Sensory Hub Officer (Deafness), Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland (the ALLIANCE).

Agenda Item 6 - Any other competent business

Agenda item 7 - Date of next meeting

To be confirmed.