

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on WASPI

**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.)

**18 JANUARY 2017**

### DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

**17 AUGUST 2022**

### DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

**24 August 2022**

**DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11-13 months of the previous AGM]**

**N/A**

### 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.

23 JUNE 21 5 MSP's 18 WASPI's Reconstitution meeting electing new Chair & co Conveners, plus members.

26 OCTOBER 21 4 MSP'S 21 WASPI's Discussed PHSO, APPG, National & Regional Campaign update, Ayrshire challenge to MSP'S/MP's papers.

7 DEC 21 4 MSP's 16 WASPI's Feedback from National & Regional campaign, communications with MP's & MSP's, looking at ideas to refresh campaign.

8 FEB 22 3 MSP's 17 WASPI'S Feedback from National & regional campaign. Confirmation of Holyrood Event March 29-31 & invite to IWD in Holyrood March 5<sup>th</sup>. Challenge to MP's /MSP's discussed at length with the emphasis being on encouraging England/Wales to engage with politicians. New Motion to be prepared & focus on setting up Refresh Group by asking for volunteers. Prepare for local elections in May. APPG & PHSO discussed & representatives from Campaign 2018 attended & updated on their involvement with APPG.

19 APRIL 2022 3 MSP's 1 MP 12 WASPI'S. National & Regional update. All still using zoom. Holyrood event was a great success & feedback from all concerned very positive. Pledge signing had been very useful in engaging with politicians across all parties though not everyone keen to sign. This idea came from the refresh group & they continue to look for new initiatives. MP Gavin Newlands updated on APPG activities & the need to keep campaigning. He will also ask chair & co chair to attend CPG.

25 JULY 22 7 MSP's 17 WASPI's National & Regional update, PHSO Annual report discussed, Pension age review was a concern as there has been mention of age increase to age 72 which caused some concern, Challenge to MP's / MSP's generally accepted in Scotland but still no National agreement pending PHSO result. Chair/MP Peter Aldous of APPG attended & took part in the meeting providing useful feedback on where he sees campaign going. He is also keen to include campaign group in future APPG meetings as the technology is available. Holyrood Festival of Politics date is Aug 11 at 2pm & hopeful of good attendance. Suggestions made to have a draft letter ready for both positive & negative outcome from PHSO .

### **MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

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

KATY CLARK LABOUR  
 SIOBHIAN BROWN SNP  
 BEATRICE WISHART LIB DEMS  
 RICHARD LEONARD 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	WASPI SCOTLAND
Organisations	STUC, UNISON, CWU, AGE SCOTLAND, SCOTTISH WOMENS CONVENTION

### **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	KATY CLARK
Deputy Convener	SIOBHIAN BROWN BEATRICE WISHART
Secretary	ANNE POTTER
Treasurer	N/A

#### **FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE GROUP**

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) received 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.

Details of material support should include the name of the individual providing support, the value of this support over the year, an estimate of the time spent providing this support and the name of the organisation that this individual is employed by / affiliated to in providing this support.

Groups should provide details of the date on which the benefit was received, the value of the benefit and a brief description of the benefit.

If the Group is not disclosing any financial information please tick the box to confirm that the Group has considered the support received, but concluded it totalled under the threshold for disclosure (£500).

N/A

#### **SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP**

Please provide details of the amount charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

N/A

**CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

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