

Cross-Party Group on WASPI Scotland

9 Oct 2025 @ 6pm via zoom

Minute

Present

MSPs

Katy Clark
Maggie Chapman
Beatrice Wishart

Invited guests

Eileen Cawlet
Joyce Stevenson
Susan McKellar

Non-MSP Group Members

Wendy Millar
C Houston
C McMillan
K McDonald
F Brown
L Paterson
M Eley
R Dickson
A Potter

Apologies

C Haughey
I Fraser
L Carmichael
C Martinez

Agenda item 1

AGM Business
Chair Katy Clark (Re elected)
Co Chair Maggie Chapman (Re elected)
Joint Co Chair Beatrice Wishart

Secretariat Anne Potter (Re elected)

Agenda item 2

State Pension Age Review - Ministers in Holyrood are currently dealing with their submission. EC confirmed SPF preparing their report, S McK also able to advise SWC have collated their findings. Possibly UNISON, & Age UK will have input too.

Agenda item 3

Judicial Review - Due to be heard in High Court of Justice London Dec 9/10 (unless agreement reached earlier). Members are eager to know if WASPI presence likely but nothing arranged so far. RD commented on costs of travel etc but hoped media would be present. Possible alternative is event in Holyrood backed up by mention in Scottish Parliament as suggested by MC. EC Also proposed gathering at Queen Elizabeth House.

Agenda item 4

Campaign Update - MP/MSP engagement is still an issue across Scotland. There's a general feeling of certain politicians not providing a satisfactory service to their constituents. Emails, telephone calls being ignored. Many feel betrayed despite promises made prior to GE. Our CPG MSPs have offered to highlight our concerns if we provide the names of those involved.

AOB

Parliament suspended due to May elections end of March

Date of next meeting January 29 @ 6pm