

## CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

### ANNUAL RETURN FORM

#### 1. GROUP NAME *Code of Conduct 6.2.4*

Groups that have been accorded recognition will be permitted to use the title *Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament*.

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Disability

#### 2. DATE GROUP APPROVED

18 March 2008

#### 3. DATE ANNUAL REPORT

06 June 2012

#### 4. GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

For each group meeting or other activity please provide the date, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and attendance figures (MSP and non-MSP).

Three meetings have been held by the Cross-Party Group since July 2011. Several MSPs attended along with a wide range of third sector organisations, service providers and user led groups representing disabled people.

Meeting Date	Subject	Presenter
07 September 2011  (4 MSPs, 26 Non-MSP attendees)	<b>Welfare Reform or Plain Old Fashioned Cuts</b> Inclusion Scotland	Bill Scott, Inclusion Scotland
07 December 2011  (5 MSPs, 47 Non-MSP attendees)	<b>Joint Meeting with CPG Human Rights – Launch of Human Rights Toolkit</b>	Tressa Burke Bill Scot Sally Witcher Sue Kelly
07 March 2012  (3 MSPs, 17 Non-MSP attendees)	<b>ATOS – Another Tale of Sorrow</b> Black Triangle	John McArdle, Black Triangle

**5. GROUP MEMBERS *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rules 2, 3, 5, 6 & 8***

When listing members, who are MSPs, only the MSPs name need be given. For members from outwith the Parliament, the name of the member and any employer they represent must be given.

<b>MSPs</b>	<b>Non-MSPs Individuals</b>
Michael McMahon Siobhan McMahon Annabelle Ewing David Stewart Helen Eadie Jackie Baillie John Pentland Kenneth Gibson Liam McArthur Nanette Milne Patrick Harvie	David Hop
	<p><b>Organisations</b></p> Quarriers ACPOs Action Duchene Action on Hearing Loss Archibald Foundation Arthritis Care in Scotland Barnardo's Scotland British Stammering Association Scotland Capability Scotland Contact a Family D&G Voice Disability Information Greater Glasgow (DIGG) Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations Council Fife Independent Disability Network Glasgow Disability Alliance Headway Inclusion Scotland Leonard Cheshire Momentum National Autistic Society National League of the Blind and Disabled Ownership Options Pagoda Parents of Autistic Spectrum Disorder Adults (PASDA) PCS Scotland Disability Network Phone Ability Remploy Renfrewshire Access Panel RNID SAMH Scottish Accessible Transport Alliance (SATA) SIAA British Stammering Association Scotland STUC South Edinburgh Amenities Group (SEAG) The Action Group The Brittle Bone Society The Stroke Association Turning Point Scotland Unison

**6. GROUP OFFICERS Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 4**

Please amend titles as necessary e.g. to indicate joint office holders, or preferred titles.

<b>Convener</b>	Michael McMahon MSP
<b>Deputy-Convener</b>	Annabelle Ewing MSP / Siobhan McMahon MSP
<b>Secretary</b>	Kate Sanford, Quarriers
<b>Treasurer</b>	Kate Sanford, Quarriers

**7. FINANCIAL OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED Code of Conduct 6.3.1 & 6.3.6, 6.4 Rule 10**

The group must register any financial or other material benefit received by the group from whatever source, where the value of the financial sum or benefit from any single source exceeds £500 in any one calendar year. This includes donations, sponsorship, subscriptions, hospitality, gifts, visits, provision of services or accommodation or staff assistance. The value of use of Parliamentary facilities need not be registered.

The details requiring to be registered include a brief description of the benefit, the approximate monetary value, the date on which it was received and the source from which it came. Where a consultancy organisation provides benefits, the client on whose behalf these are provided should be named.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>
NIL		

**8. GROUP SUBSCRIPTION Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 9**

Where a group charges or proposes to charge a subscription, this must be reasonable and the same for all members. The amount of the subscription should be registered and the purposes for which it is intended to use the subscription.

<b>Amount per group member per year</b>	£20.00
<b>Date subscription applied</b>	24 June 2009

**9. GROUP STAFF AS PARLIAMENTARY PASS HOLDERS**

If a group makes use of staff issued with a Parliamentary pass, any paid activity undertaken by those staff where the employer benefits from the pass holder's access to the Parliament must be registered. There is no need to state the amount of remuneration. The requirement relates both to staff employed directly by the group and to staff employed by an outside organisation to provide assistance to the group.

<b>Staff name</b>	N/A
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<b>Title of post</b>	
<b>Name and address of employer organisation</b>	
<b>Type of employer organisation</b>	
<b>10. GROUP CONTACT <i>Code of Conduct 6.3.4, 6.3.5 and 6.5.1 – 6.5.4</i></b>	
Please give the full details of an elected official of the group who is an MSP who will be the contact for registration matters for the group. Initially this must be the Member who signs the declaration on compliance with the rules on behalf of the group. If a group subsequently changes the designated contact, the office of the Standards Clerk must be informed within 7 days of the change.	
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