

Agenda

Meeting of the Cross Party Group on Health Inequalities

Thursday 19th January 2017

12.40 pm to 2.15 pm

Committee Room 6, The Scottish Parliament

Theme of meeting: Health Inequalities and the Built Environment

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served on arrival with the meeting to commence at 1pm

Meeting chair: Donald Cameron MSP

1. **Welcome, introductions and apologies**
2. **Minutes of the previous held on 25th October 2016**
3. **Proposed new members:**

Applications have been received from: Royal National Institute for Blind People (RNIB), The Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland (QNIS), Royal College of GPs Scotland (RCGP Scotland), Mindroom, The People's Health Movement Scotland, Criminal Justice Voluntary Sector Forum (CJVSF), Streetwork.

4. **The Place Standard and Health Inequalities: presentation and discussion**

Speakers: John Howie, Organisational Lead, Health Equity (Physical Activity & Place), NHS Health Scotland and Sandy Robinson, Principal Architect, Planning & Architecture, Scottish Government.

How places are designed, develop and are maintained is vital to the health of the people living there. Whether a neighbourhood nurtures or damages health relates to its:

- Physical environment – e.g. buildings, streets, public and green spaces
- Social environment – e.g. community relationships, social contact and support networks

5. **Any other business**

6. **Next meeting:**

Thursday 30th March, 12.40 pm to 2.15 pm, Committee Room 6. Proposed Chair: Anas Sarwar MSP. Proposed topic: Health Inequalities and the Built Environment (continued). Proposed speakers: Professor Jamie Pearce (Centre for Research Environment, Society and Health, Edinburgh University) and James Jopling, Executive Director, Samaritans Scotland