

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Fishing
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.)
07 February 2017
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
18 February 2020
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
26 February 2020
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]
28 February 2019
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.
28 February 2019 Attendance: 3 MSPs, 3 Non-MSPs AGM

Stewart Stevenson MSP and Tavish Scott MSP were elected to continue as co-convenors.

24 September 2019

Attendance: 4 MSPs, 11 Non-MSPs

It was noted that Tavish Scott had now left the group. There were discussions on data and fisheries management, the discards ban, and on Scotland Food and Drink's role in growing the value and reputation of Scottish produce and products.

14 January 2020

Attendance: 3 MSPs, 11 Non-MSPs

There were discussions on the management of the wrasse fishery, offshore windfarms and fisheries, and inshore fishing.

18 February 2020

Attendance: 3 MSPs, 1 Non-MSP
AGM

Stewart Stevenson MSP and Beatrice Wishart MSP were elected unopposed as co-convenors. There was a short discussion of arranging future meetings.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

1. Stewart Stevenson MSP – SNP
2. Beatrice Wishart MSP – Liberal Democrat
3. Jamie Halcro Johnston MSP – Conservative
4. Peter Chapman MSP – Conservative
5. Finlay Carson MSP – Conservative
6. Gail Ross MSP – SNP
7. Joan McAlpine MSP – SNP
8. John Finnie MSP – SNP
9. Liam McArthur MSP – Liberal Democrat
10. Lewis Macdonald MSP – Labour
11. Rhoda Grant MSP – 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	Professor Michael Health, Strathclyde University
Organisations	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Scottish Fishermen's Federation2. Scottish Seafood Association3. Scottish Scallop Divers Association4. Scottish Creel Fishermen's Federation5. Scottish Fisherman's Organisation6. Open Seas7. West of Scotland Fish Producers Organisation8. Sustainable Inshore Fisheries Trust9. World Wildlife Fund Scotland10. Keltic Seafare (Scotland) Ltd11. Community of Arran Seabed Trust12. DR Collins (Fish) Ltd13. Clyde Fishermen's Association14. Marine Conservation Scotland15. Scottish Environment LINK

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	Stewart Stevenson MSP, Beatrice Wishart MSP
Deputy Convener	
Secretary	

Treasurer	
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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).

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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