

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Dyslexia
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.)
28 th September 2016 (Session 5)
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
20 th September 2017
DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 12 months of the previous AGM]
28 th September 2016
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
16 th October 2017
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.
7th December 2016
Presentation by Fran Ranaldi, Education Scotland on the progress of the Scottish Government/ Education Scotland Working Group response to the Making Sense of Dyslexia Review. This included a positional statement against each of the Review recommendations.

MSPs attending: 4
No MSPs attending: 24

1st March 2017

Presentation from Ellen Doherty, Director of Education, Registration and Learning, General Teaching Council in Scotland regarding:

- the responsibilities and qualifications of teachers in relation to dyslexia
- The GTCS contribution to addressing the recommendations of the Making Sense Review.

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MSPs attending: 4
Non- MSPs attending: 31

17th May 2017

Presentation by Katie Carmichael, Employment Advisor on the work of Dyslexia Scotland's Employment Service.

Presentation from Rosemary Burke from Dyslexia Scotland's Adult Network on the recruitment and employment issues for adults with dyslexia particularly in relation to adult assessments.

MSPs attending:5
Non MSPs attending: 25

20th September 2017

Presentation by Cathy Magee, Chief Executive, Dyslexia Scotland on national developments including increased Scottish Government funding and a significant review of information services including online platforms. A further presentation was given by Helen Fleming around an innovative project engaging children and young people with dyslexia which has led to the launch in November 2017 of a dedicated web site for young people with dyslexia.

MSPs attending: 6
Non MSPs attending:17

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Margaret Mitchel MSP, Scottish Conservative & Unionist

Stuart McMillan MSP, Scottish National Party

Elaine Smith MSP, Scottish Labour Party

Tom Arthur MSP, Scottish National Party
 Claire Haughey MSP, Scottish National Party
 Tom Mason MSP, Scottish Conservative & Unionist
 Donald Cameron MSP, Scottish Conservative & Unionist
 Emma Harper MSP, Scottish National Party
 Maurice Corry MSP, Scottish Conservative & Unionist
 Oliver Mundell MSP, Scottish Conservative & Unionist

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	David Jones Joe Moran Margaret Crankshaw Martin Davies Scott Winchester Robert Sandy
Organisations	Scottish Association of Independent Schools Hamilton College School University of Aberdeen Dyslexia Scotland Dyslexia Scotland Borders Lomond School Lorreto School Stirling Council Dyslexia Scotland Lochaber Dyslexia Ayrshire Dyslexia Scotland Lanarkshire Dyslexia Scotland Lochaber National Farmers Union

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	Margaret Mitchell MSP
Deputy Convener	Stuart McMillan MSP/ Elaine Smith MSP
Secretary	David Jones
Treasurer	Martin Davies

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.

£5 per year to cover refreshments and stationery

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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