

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Towns and Town Centres
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.)
21 September 2016
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
13 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]
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
10 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.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>21/09/16 – ‘Celebrating Local Leaders’</u>: Featured case studies on Business Improvement Districts and Development Trusts. (4 MSPs 24 Non MSPs)

- 07/12/16 - 'Towns Mean Business': Discussed the ideal retail mix; small business in towns; the role of retail and; shopping centres working with communities and towns. (3 MSPs 39 Non MSPs)
- 08/03/17 - 'Digital Towns': Featured the *Digital Towns Strategy for Scotland* and highlighted a range of presentations and case studies on what digital means for towns. (5 MSPs 67 Non MSPs)
- 07/06/17 meeting cancelled due to the UK election.
- 13/09/17 – AGM business and featured topic 'Inclusive Towns': featured innovative project approaches and case studies from Scottish Urban Regeneration Forum, Scottish Empty Homes Partnership and Barrhead Foundry, illustrating the importance and impact of partnership and inclusion in our towns. (3 MSPs 69 Non MSPs)

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

George Adam (SNP)
 Jackie Baillie (Lab)
 Neil Bibby (Lab)
 Jenny Gilruth (SNP)
 Rachael Hamilton (Con)
 Daniel Johnson (Lab)
 Alison Johnstone (Green)
 Gordon Lindhurst (Con)
 Angus MacDonald (SNP)
 Gillian Martin (SNP)
 Willie Rennie (LibDem)
 John Scott (Con)
 Graham Simpson (Con)
 Andy Wightman (Green)

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	Matt Aitken
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	Simon Baldwin
	Valentina Bold
	Raymond Boyle
	Maggie Broadley
	Tom Campbell
	Louise Casenave
	Vivien Collie
	John Corbett
	Gillian Cowell
	Scott Davidson
	Peter de Vink
	Andrew Dixon
	Ian Fowell
	Malcolm Fraser
	Ros Halley
	Derek Harper
	Jianfeng Huang
	Steve Hunt
	Colin Kelly
	Peter Liddell
	Roseanne MacKay
	Ross Martin
	Eva Milroy
	Sean McLaughlan
	Brian McLeish
	Rurighd McMeddes
	Dianne Miller
	Willie Miller
	Ben Murray
	Dennis Rodwell
	Angus Ross
	David Russell
	Bill Sadler
	Tom Sneddon
	Phil Sykes

	<p>James Trolland Sunil Varu Michael Vickers Derek Wilson Nick Wright</p>
<p>Organisations</p>	<p>Scotland's Towns Partnership – secretary 802 Works Architecture + Design Scotland ABB Scotland Aberdeenshire Council Alliance Boots Alloa Town Centre BID Angus Council Argyll and Bute Council ASDA Association of Town and City Management Ayr Renaissance Barrhead BID BIDs Scotland Big Lottery Fund Boston Networks BT Built Environment Forum Scotland Business in the Community Scotland Can Do Places Carnegie UK Trust Charity Retail Association City of Edinburgh Council CityFibre CGI Colliers International CraftTown Scotland Crieff BID</p>

	Cupar and North Fife Tourism Association
	Cupar Development Trust
	Currie Brown
	Cycling Scotland
	Development Trusts Association Scotland
	Dods
	Dundee City Council
	Dunfermline Delivers
	East Ayrshire Council
	East Dunbartonshire Council
	East Kilbride Shopping Centre
	East Lothian Council
	East Renfrewshire Council
	Economic Development Association Scotland
	Energy Edge
	Falkirk Council
	Falkirk Delivers
	Federation of Master Builders
	Fife Council
	Fort William Town Team
	FreshAyr
	FSB Scotland
	Future Hawick
	Fyne Futures
	Glasgow City Council
	Global Treasure App
	Grampian Housing
	Granton Improvement Society
	Halliday Fraser Munro
	Highland Council
	Highlands and Islands Enterprise
	Historic Environment Scotland
	Institute of Retail Studies, University of Stirling
	Interface
	Intu Properties

	Keep Scotland Beautiful
	Kingsgate Shopping Centre
	Kirkcaldy4All
	Ladbrokes Coral
	Lanark Community Council
	Langbank Community Council
	Living Streets
	Loop Connections
	Lloyds TSB Foundation
	Miconex
	Melrose Living
	Moffat and District Community
	Motherwell Town Centre
	Museums Galleries Scotland
	Natural Power
	Newmilns Regeneration Association
	North Lanarkshire Council
	One Dalkeith
	Pagoda Porter Novelli
	Paisley First BID
	Paths for All
	People Scotland
	Perth and Kinross Council
	PJ Leggate
	Planning Aid Scotland
	Prestwick Community Council
	Real Retail Solutions
	Renfrewshire Council
	Retailers Against Crime
	RICS
	RTPI
	Scotland's Rural College
	Scottish Borders Council
	Scottish Business Resilience Centre
	Scottish Chambers of Commerce

	<p>Scottish Empty Homes Partnership</p> <p>Scottish Futures Trust</p> <p>Scottish Grocers Federation</p> <p>Scottish Retail Consortium</p> <p>Scottish Small Towns Group</p> <p>South Ayrshire Council</p> <p>South Lanarkshire Council</p> <p>Stirling BID</p> <p>Stirling Council</p> <p>Stranraer Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme</p> <p>SURF</p> <p>Sustrans Scotland</p> <p>TACTRAN</p> <p>The Democratic Society Scotland</p> <p>The Retailer Group</p> <p>Transform Scotland</p> <p>USDAW</p> <p>Vale of Leven Trust</p> <p>VisitScotland</p> <p>Voluntary Action Fund</p> <p>Weber Shandwick</p> <p>West End BID</p> <p>West Lothian Council</p> <p>William Hill</p> <p>WSP</p>
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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	John Scott (Con)
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Deputy Convener	Daniel Johnson (Lab) Gillian Martin (SNP)
Secretary	Elaine Bone, Scotland's Towns Partnership
Treasurer	Elaine Bone, Scotland's Towns Partnership

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).

Scotland's Towns Partnership
Total value of support - £1,900

Breakdown:
Secretary duties (Scotland's Towns executives) to the value of £1,900 for 10 days work for the managing all communications with office bearers, members, speakers, supporters; planning agendas and related arrangements; attendance and Minute taking and digital communications for four CPG meetings/activities, AGM and an Office Bearers meeting; and fulfilling Code of Conduct and Best Practice requirements.

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of the amount charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

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CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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