

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Co-operatives

### PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

Please provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.

Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.

Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

To provide a platform for MSPs and others with an interest in co-operation and mutuality to increase awareness of the co-operative model and its contribution to Scotland's social and economic development, promote co-operation as a vital component of Scotland's future, and to work with the Scottish Government, Co-Operative Development Scotland and the sector to identify how best to sustain existing co-operative and mutual groups and to encourage an increase in co-operative working in Scotland.

Discussion topics will be matters of policy and development related to co-operative enterprises and community benefit societies.

### MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names of all MSP members of the Group. Note that only names need to be provided, no party designation or other information is required.

Claudia Beamish

Neil Bibby

Willie Coffey

Clare Haughey

James Kelly

Johann Lamont

Monica Lennon

Anas Sarwar

John Scott

**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.

Organisations

Community Shares Scotland  
Co-operatives UK  
Co-operative Development Scotland  
Co-operative Education Trust Scotland  
Fair Trade Sports Balls Ltd  
Highland Home Carers Ltd  
Scottish Agricultural Organisation Society  
Scotmid  
Social Enterprise Scotland  
The Co-operative Group

Individuals

None

**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

James Kelly

Deputy Convener

Willie Coffey

Secretary

James Proctor – Co-operatives UK

Treasurer

n/a

**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.

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.

Material support of Secretariat from James Proctor at an estimated value of £600 which covers time spent of approx. 4 working days per year during the employment of Co-operatives UK.

#### **SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP**

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

Nil

#### **CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

Name	James Kelly MSP
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#### **STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT**

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Co-operatives is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed	James Kelly MSP
Date	26 October 2016