

Cross Party Group on Tobacco Control
Minute of Meeting - Wednesday 22nd February 2012
12.45 - 14.15hrs
Room Q1-04

<p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <p>Willie Rennie MSP, Convener Richard Simpson MSP Michael Matheson MSP, Minister for Public Health Mary Cuthbert, Head of Alcohol, Tobacco, Sexual Health & HIV Policy, Scottish Government Alison Ford, Doctoral Researcher, University of Stirling Ben McKendrick, Senior Policy & Public Affairs Manager, British Heart Foundation Carolyn McCole, Communication Officer, British Lung Foundation Celia Gardner, Joint National Programme Manager – Tobacco, Scottish Government & NHE Health Scotland Diane Thomson, Government Affairs Manager, Pfizer UK Ltd Dr Crawford Moodie, Senior Research Fellow, University of Stirling Elvire Genet, Intern, British Heart Foundation Gillian Griffith, Health information & Publishing Consultant Jim Swift, Director, Health Inequalities Alliance Ltd John Watson, Director of Policy & Campaigns, ASH Scotland Karen Gray, Health Improvement Senior (Tobacco), EAST Glasgow CHCP Lindsay Paterson, Policy Officer, Royal College of Physicians Edinburgh Marion McGovern, Project & Communications Administrator, ASH Scotland (Minutes) Sheila Duffy, Chief Executive, ASH Scotland Vicky Crichton, Public Affairs Officer for Scotland, Cancer Research UK</p>	<p><u>Apologies:</u></p> <p>Kenneth Gibson MSP James Dornan MSP Graeme Pearson MSP Eileen Streets, Director of Tobacco Control, Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation Geoff Earl, Nurse, Royal College of Nursing Helen Reilly, Public Affairs Officer, British Medical Association Jacqueline Forde, Director, Health Inequalities Alliance Ltd Maddy Halliday, Director Scotland, The Stroke Association Margot Fergusson, General Manager, West Lothian Drug & Alcohol Service Margaret Berrie, Development Officer, British Lung Foundation Robert Howe, Director of Professional Development, Royal Environmental Health Institute Scotland</p>
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The meeting was chaired by Willie Rennie MSP, who opened the meeting by thanking everyone for their attendance. The attendees were then asked if they could suggest questions that they would like to ask the Minister for Public, who would be arriving shortly.

After a short discussion, some topics and questions were agreed and put to the Minister upon his arrival, followed by discussion.

Willie Rennie MSP concluded the discussion by thanking the Minister for his input.

Applications from Iain Brotchie (Royal Pharmaceutical Society), Lindsay Paterson (Royal College of Physicians Edinburgh) and Hamid Gazem (South Ayrshire Council) were approved.

The date of the next meeting is provisionally set for Wednesday 18th April at 12.45pm.