

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Animal Welfare
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 June 2011
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
29 September 2015
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]
19 August 2014
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
TBC
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.
There have been three formal meetings of the Cross-Party Group on Animal Welfare. 4 November 2014 3 MSP 29 Non MSP Electric Shock collars discussion

12 May 2015

2 MSP 30 Non MSP

Sam Poling and Liam McDougall gave a talk on the BBC's investigative documentary on both the legal and illegal aspects of puppy farming. There was also a presentation on exotic pet vending

29 September 2015

4 MSP 24 Non MSP

AGM and discussion on future topics

There will also be a meeting in December

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Claire Baker MSP (Scottish Labour)

Claudia Beamish MSP (Scottish Labour)

Alex Fergusson MSP (Scottish Conservatives)

Christine Grahame MSP (SNP)

Cara Hilton MSP (Scottish Labour)

Jim Hume MSP (Scottish Liberal Democrats)

John Scott MSP (Scottish Conservatives)

Alison Johnstone MSP (Scottish Green)

Elaine Murray MSP (Scottish 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	Patricia Neeson Patricia Saluja
Organisations	British Association for Shooting and Conservation Animal and Plant Health Agency Animal Concern Advice Line Association of British Riding Schools Blue Cross

	Borders Beasties
	Born Free Foundation
	British Deer Society
	British Equine Veterinary Association
	British Horse Society Scotland
	British Small Animal Veterinary Association
	British Union for the Abolition of Vivisection
	British Veterinary Association
	British Veterinary Nursing Association
	Buddies Bunny Rescue
	Canine Concern Scotland Trust
	Campaign Against the Sale of Cats Online
	Cats Protection
	Compassion in World Farming
	Convention of Scottish Local Authorities
	Dogs Trust
	Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home
	Edinburgh Vegetarian/Vegan Dining and Socializing Meetup
	Ethical Voice for Animals
	Fife Council
	Glo-Wild
	Horse Rescue Scotland
	Independent Weimaraner Rescue & Re-Homing Service
	International Fund for Animal Welfare
	Jeanne Marchig Centre for Animal Welfare
	The Kennel Club

	League Against Cruel Sports
	Marine Conservation International
	National Dog Wardens Association
	National Farmers Union of Scotland
	National Wildlife Crime Unit
	Network for Animals
	OneKind
	Perth and Kinross Council
	Rabbits Require Rights Scotland
	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds Scotland
	Scottish Government Rural Directorate (Animal Welfare)
	SAC Consulting:Vet Services
	Scottish Badgers
	Scottish Countryside Alliance
	Scottish Gamekeepers' Association
	Scottish Kennel Club
	Scottish Rural Business and Property Association
	Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
	South Lanarkshire Council
	SRUC
	University of St Andrews
	Vetwork UK
	West Lothian Council
	World Horse Welfare

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	Christine Grahame MSP
Deputy Convener	Cara Hilton MSP, Alison Johnstone MSP
Secretary	Nicolle Hamilton, BASC
Treasurer	

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

Name	Christine Grahame MSP
Parliamentary address	Room M5.03 The Scottish Parliament Edinburgh EH99 1SP
Telephone number	0131 348 5729 / 01896 759575