

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Families Affected by Imprisonment

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.)

26th October 2011

DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

28/04/2013

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.

Date: 8th May 2013

Activity: Mary Fee MSP provided the group with updated of Parliamentary Business and Nancy updated the group on the Families Outside Conference and the annual EUROCHIPS conference. Then the CPG discussed the direction and future meetings of the Cross-Party Group for the remainder of 2013.

Attendance: 2 MSP's/18 non-MSP's

Date: 4th June 2013

Activity: The Cabinet Secretary for Justice Kenny MacAskill MSP addressed the group and took part in a Q&A session with members.

Attendance: 2 MSP's/27 non-MSP's

Date:18th September 2013

Activity: The Cross-Party Group invited 4 members of the national media to attend and address the members as well as take part in a Q&A session.

Attendance: 2 MSP's/19 non-MSP's

Date: 13 November 2013

Activity: Mary Fee MSP updated the group on Parliamentary Business and the discussed the previous meeting where the media attended. This was then followed by Aileen Campbell MSP, Minister for Children giving a talk on supporting children and families involved directly and indirectly in the criminal justice system.

Attendance: 3 MSP's/34 non-MSP's

Date: 5 February 2014 – Annual General Meeting

Activity: None as the previous Committee in the meeting room overran and due the Parliamentary timetable no MSP could stay beyond 2pm. AGM postponed until 2 April 2014.

Date: 2 April 2014 – Annual General Meeting

Activity: The AGM was held and the previous office bearers were re-elected without contest. After the AGM it was agreed to hold a general meeting and a presentation was given by Unilink on the provision of electronic communications and IT within prisons for the benefit of the prisoner and their family.

Attendance: 4 MSP's/ 24 non-MSP's

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.

Mary Fee MSP

Richard Lyle MSP

Margaret McDougall MSP

Drew Smith MSP

Richard Simpson MSP

Mary Scanlon MSP

Kezia Dugdale MSP

Alison Johnstone MSP

Jackie Baillie MSP

Stuart MacMillan MSP

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	Gareth Brown- Secretary Janice McGowan
Organisations	Aberlour Childcare Trust Action For Children ADSW Alcohol Focus Scotland Alternative to Violence Project Barlinnie Barnardos Barnardo's Scotland Barnardos South Ayrshire Services Caledonian youth Care For The Family Children 1st CHILDREN 1ST Children and Families Department, The City of Edinburgh Council Children in Scotland Children's 1st CIE Circle Civil Legal Assistance Office Cornerstone Cornton Vale Crossreach Division of Clinical Psychology Scotland Edinburgh Visiting Centre Families Outside Family Addiction Support Service Family Mediation Central Scotland

	Family Member Fife & Forth Valley CJA Gateside Prison Greenock Glenochil HMIP HMP Cornton Vale HMP Edinburgh HMP Glenochil HMP Greenock HMP Perth Visiting Centre HOPE Howard League Scotland Independent Consultant Inside Out (CAB) Kibble Education and Care Centre Lanarkshire CJA Lighthouse Foundation HMP Low Moss NHS Forth Valley NHS Lothian Northern Community Justice Authority Offender Learning, Skills and Employability Services The Howard League Parkhead CAB Perth Perth & Kinross Council Perth (Volunteer) Glenochil (Joint Co-ordinator) Pheonix Futures Place2be Relationship Scotland Renfrewshire Council SACRO Sacro (Fife) Samaritans Scottish Association of Social Work
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	Scottish Government Scottish Government - Community Justice Scottish Pre-school Play SCSN SFAD South West Scotland CJA SPS Stop it Now The Croft The Robertson Trust The Salvation Army The Samaritans Triple P Turning Point Scotland University of Edinburgh University of Stirling Violence Reduction Unit Scotland Visiting Committee at HMYOI Polmont Vocal
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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	Mary Fee MSP
Deputy Convener	Margaret McDougall MSP, Richard Lyle MSP
Secretary	Gareth Brown
Treasurer	none

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.

n/a

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

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