

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Men's Violence Against Women and Children

**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.)

14 December 2011

### DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

21 January 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]

12 March 2014

### DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

12 February 2015

### 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.

**12 March 2014-**

Attendance :4 MSPs , 20 Non MSPs

AGM

- re-election of Office Bearers

Guest speakers- Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Scottish Government officials from the Gender, LGBT, Equality & Violence Against Women Team on the VAW Strategy and various policy issues.

Topics discussed

- VAW Strategy content and progress

- Court Reform (Scotland) Bill
- Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill
- Effects of pornography on children and young people
- Criminalisation of forced marriage and specific offence
- University of Stirling and “lad culture”
- Working with men in prisons
- Implementation of Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014
- Members’ Updates

### **28 May 2014**

Attendance :4 MSPs , 20 Non MSPs

Guest speakers- representatives from the No More Page 3 Campaign

Topics discussed

- Presentation on work of No More Page 3 Campaign
- Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence ( the Istanbul Convention )- UK position re compliance
- Specific Offence of Domestic Abuse and “Clare’s Law” in Scotland
- Planning for CPG event and involvement during the 16 Days of Action on Violence Against Women over November and December 2014
- Members’ Updates

### **13 August 2014**

Attendance: 2 MSPs and 22 Non MSPs

Guest Speakers- Representatives from Scottish Government Gender LGBT Equality & Violence Against Women Team

Topics Discussed

- Presentation from Safer Families Edinburgh RESPEKT project.
- Update from Scottish Government on the Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence Against Women and Domestic Violence ( the Istanbul Convention ) and facilitated discussion about future CPG action on the Convention
- Planning of CPG event during the 16 Days of Action on Violence Against Women and Statement of Intent on VAW Strategy
- Members’ updates

### **29 October 2014**

Attendance; 3 MSPs and 9 Non MSPs

- Presentation by Lisa Purdie, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Manager at HMP Addiewell
- Presentation by Callum Hendry, White Ribbon Scotland
- Update on work in Scotland on implementation of the Istanbul Convention
- Update on event during 16 Days of Action

### **4 December 2014**

Event held in the Scottish Parliament during 16 Days of Action. Statement of Intent signing event to recognise the achievements in Scotland in tackling violence against women, and to engage the Scottish Parliament in committing the necessary support to meet the outcomes detailed in the recently published national strategy, 'Equally

Safe'.43 MSPs attended and signed the Statement- copy of Statement attached for information.

**MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

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

- Claudia Beamish – Scottish Labour Party (Deputy Convenor)
- Malcolm Chisholm – Scottish Labour Party (Co-Convenor)
- Rhoda Grant – Scottish Labour Part
- Alison Johnstone – Scottish Green Party
- James Kelly – Scottish Labour Party
- Johann Lamont – Scottish Labour Party
- Jamie McGrigor - Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party (Deputy Convenor)
- Christina McKelvie – Scottish National Party ( Co-Convenor)
- Stewart Maxwell – Scottish National Party
- Gil Paterson – Scottish National Party
- Drew Smith –Scottish Labour Party
- Elaine Smith- Scottish Labour Party
- Sandra White – Scottish National Party

**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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christine Gray</li> <li>• Isobel Hart</li> <li>• Laura Kemp</li> <li>• Christine Ratcliffe</li> <li>• Shirley Henderson</li> <li>• George Eckton</li> </ul>
Organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scottish Women's Aid – Secretariat</li> <li>• Amina Muslim Women's Resource Centre</li> <li>• ASSIST</li> <li>• A Life Less Ordinary</li> <li>• Barnardo's</li> <li>• BIG Lottery Fund</li> <li>• Central Scotland Rape Crisis &amp; Sexual Abuse Centre</li> <li>• Children 1<sup>st</sup></li> <li>• Circle Scotland</li> <li>• City of Edinburgh Council</li> <li>• Couple Counselling Central Scotland</li> <li>• Edinburgh Women's Aid</li> <li>• Edinburgh Women's Rape and Sexual Assault Centre</li> <li>• Eighteen and Under</li> </ul>

- Engender
- Fife Domestic and Sexual Abuse Partnership
- Fife Rape and Sexual Assault Centre
- Glasgow Caledonian University
- Glasgow Children's and Families Service
- Glasgow Women's Aid
- Grampian Regional Equality Council
- HMP Addiewell
- Health Policy & Planning, West Lothian
- Hollaback! Edinburgh
- Improvement Service
- Mothers' Union
- NHS Grampian
- NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
- NHS Lanarkshire - EVA Services
- NHS Lothian Sex Offender Liaison Service
- NSPCC Scotland
- Open Secret
- Out of the Darkness Theatre Company
- Police Scotland
- Rape Crisis Scotland
- Relationship Scotland
- Roshni
- Scottish Refugee Council
- Scottish Parliament
- STUC
- Scottish Women's Convention
- Shakti Women's Aid
- Soroptimists International
- Stirling Council
- Strathclyde University
- Streetwork
- University of Central Lancashire
- Violence Reduction Unit
- West Lothian Council
- White Ribbon Scotland
- WILPF
- Women's Support Project
- Women Supporting Women
- YWCA Scotland
- Zero Tolerance

## **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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Malcolm Chisholm – Scottish Labour Party (Co-Convener)</li><li>• Christina McKelvie – Scottish National Party ( Co-Convener)</li></ul>
Deputy Convener	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Claudia Beamish – Scottish Labour Party (Deputy Convener)</li><li>• Jamie McGrigor - Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party (Deputy Convener)</li></ul>
Secretary	Scottish Women’s Aid
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.

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.

none

**CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

Name	Malcolm Chisholm – Scottish Labour Party (Co-Convenor) Christina McKelvie – Scottish National Party ( Co-Convenor)
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