

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Epilepsy
DATE GROUP ESTABLISHED (the date of establishment is the date that the Group held its initial meeting, where the office bearers were elected and not the date that the Group was accorded recognition)
29.6.11
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
13.5.13
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.
26 April 2012 – Epilepsy and dementia links were detailed by Dr Andrew Elder, consultant in Acute Elderly Medicine at Edinburgh Western General. (6 MSPs in attendance, 19 non-MSPs) 27 September 2012 – Developing epilepsy services as outlined by the Minister for Public Health Michael Matheson. (7 MSPs in attendance, 29 non-MSPs) 31 January 2013 – Stamp out Stigma schools first aid and awareness summer 2013 campaign proposed by MSYPs David Kerr and Sian Hughes. (4 MSPs in attendance, 24 non-MSPs)
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.
Claire Baker Chic Brodie Malcolm Chisholm Ruth Davidson Bob Doris Helen Eadie

Mary Fee
 Neil Findlay
 Murdo Fraser
 Kenneth Gibson
 Hugh Henry
 Jamie Hepburn
 Jim Hume
 James Kelly
 Richard Lyle
 Jamie McGrigor
 Alison McInnes
 Duncan McNeil
 Anne McTaggart
 Hanzala Malik
 Nanette Milne
 Willie Rennie
 Dennis Robertson
 John Scott
 Richard Simpson
 Jean Urquhart
 Sandra White

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	Marilyn Bryce
Organisations	Division of Clinical Psychology Scotland Epilepsy Connections Epilepsy Nurses Association (ESNA) Epilepsy Scotland Epilepsy Consortium Scotland Joint Epilepsy Council New Directions Quarriers Scottish Epilepsy Initiative

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	Kenneth Gibson MSP
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Deputy Conveners	Alison McInnes MSP and Richard Simpson MSP
Secretary	Nanette Milne MSP
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.

The Epilepsy Consortium Scotland (ECS) has given financial assistance through a Secretariat provided by Epilepsy Scotland and has met the administration costs for mailing, briefings, catering, travel and speakers' expenses amounting to £739.60 for Epilepsy Group meetings in the last 12 months (April and September 2012 and January 2013).

The Secretariat is provided by Allana Parker, Public Affairs Officer with Epilepsy Scotland. She has spent an estimated 6 days over the year providing this support at a cost of £624.

The breakdown of costs amounting to £739.60 are as follows:

26 April 2012 CPG on Epilepsy AGM - £229.90 costs for administration towards information packs, phone calls, catering costs and travel

27 September 2012 CPG on Epilepsy meeting - £220.80 costs for administration towards information packs, phone calls, catering costs and travel

23 January 2013 Secretariat update meeting with CPG on Epilepsy Convener - £16.10 for travel

31 January 2013 CPG on Epilepsy meeting - £256.20 costs for administration towards information packs, phone calls, catering costs and travel

5 February 2013 Secretariat training session run by the Standards Committee - £16.60

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

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