

The Scottish Parliament
Cross-Party Group on Fair Trade
1pm Tuesday 28 October 2014

Minutes of the meeting (draft)

Attendance: MSPs

George Adam MSP

James Kelly MSP

Fiona McLeod MSP

External organisations/individuals:

Helen Reilly (BMA)

Ian Miller (Scotmid/Midlothian Fair Trade Group)

Martin Rhodes (Scottish Fair Trade Forum)

Martin Meteyard (Scottish Fair Trade Forum)

Angela Oakley (Scottish Fair Trade Forum)

Conor Bond (Edinburgh University Sports Union)

Liz Cooper (University of Edinburgh)

Andy Mount (Livingston Fair Trade Group)

Jane Forster (Balerno Fair Trade Group)

Angus Coull (Bala Sport)

Apologies: Sarah Boyack MSP, Alison McInnes MSP, Drew Smith MSP, Neil Bibby MSP and Tricia Edington (Scotmid).

Business of the meeting:

1. The meeting was chaired James Kelly MSP. The minutes of the March meeting were approved. The AGM being held in June was noted.
2. The Chair invited Angus Coull of Bala Sport to address the meeting. He spoke about Fairtrade footballs and their manufacture, the establishment of Bala Sport and its plans for the future.
3. There followed a discussion on topics including the availability of Fairtrade footballs and other sports balls, the quality of the products, the ethical standards of other sports balls production, pricing, the market globally for sports balls,
4. It was noted that the next group meeting would be at 6pm on Wednesday 26 November.