

Cross-Party Group on Lung Health

First meeting

7 February 2017

5.30pm, James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

Agenda

1. **Welcome and apologies** - *Convener Emma Harper MSP*
2. **New members**
3. **Minutes of last meeting** - 1st November 2016
4. **Update on progress since inaugural meeting**
5. **Topic Discussion: Prevention and Protection**

With a presentation from: [Tom Fardon, Scottish Thoracic Society](#), about the [impact of environmental exposure on lung health](#)

Dr Tom Fardon is a consultant Physician in Respiratory and General Internal Medicine at NHS Tayside, and Honorary Reader with the University of Dundee. He graduated from Cambridge University in 1999, and was awarded his MD from Cambridge in 2008, winning the Ralph Nobel Prize for his thesis "Optimising Anti-inflammatory Therapy in Atopic Asthma". He is currently the secretary of the Scottish Thoracic society, and lead clinician for the Tayside Managed Clinical Network for respiratory medicine.

Dr Fardon's clinical interests include difficult to control asthma, cystic fibrosis, non-CF bronchiectasis and chronic bronchial infection. He is a founding member of the Tayside Respiratory Research Group, including the TAYBRIDGE bronchiectasis cohort. He continues to collaborate widely on the area of non-CF bronchiectasis. Dr Fardon was the BMJ Respiratory Portal Champion, Associate Editor for Online Content for Thorax, and continues to be involved medical education via social media.

6. **Next Steps** - group discussion on actions
7. **Proposal for meeting schedule and topic discussions**
 - **30th May** - Efficiency and Equity of service provision, including cost effectiveness of non-medical interventions such as pulmonary rehabilitation.
 - **Sept/October**- Coordination and consistency?
 - **Nov/December** - World COPD Day? Digital optimisation; use of informatics and intelligence?
8. **Any other business**