

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Palliative Care

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Meeting of the Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Palliative Care
Wednesday 25 March 2020 at 5.45 pm
Committee Room 3
Scottish Parliament Headquarters, Holyrood, Edinburgh

AGENDA

1. **Welcome, introductions and apologies.**
2. **Approval of the minute of meeting from 4 December 2019**
3. **Matters arising from Wednesday 4 December 2019:**
 - 3.1 Homelessness and palliative care
 - 3.2 National Audit of Care at End of Life (NACEL)

4. Presentation and Discussion: Spiritual Care – Everybody’s Business

The meeting will be an opportunity to explore the role of spiritual care:

- in realistic medicine in practice in palliative and end of life care
- in supporting those dealing with transition loss and grief while living with a life limiting illness.
- in ‘normalising’ the experience of loss and grief in newly bereaved family members, integrating this into a lived experience of life.

There will be presentations from:

- Maureen O’Neill, Director of Faith in Older People
- George Beuken, Head of Pastoral Care & Education, St Andrew’s Hospice
- Rev Matthew Little, Spiritual Care Advisor, St Andrew’s Hospice

- 5 **Any other competent business**
- 6 **Confirmed dates of Cross-Party Group meetings in 2020**

Wednesday 24 June, Committee Room 3
Wednesday 23 September, Committee Room 1
Wednesday 16 December, Committee Room 3