

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Food

**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.)

**7 September 2016**

### DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

**19 September 2018**

**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]

**20 September 2017**

### DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

**12 October 2018**

### 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.

The theme for the CPG Food for the whole year was Good Food Nation. All topics at meetings have this as a backdrop.

**17 January 2017**

Attendance 4 MSPs and 45 non-MSPs. Chaired by Richard Lochhead MSP.

**Ambition 2030 and Good Food Nation-Synergies and Tensions**

There were 3 presentations;

- Ambition 2030- James Withers CEO Scotland Food and Drink
- Scottish Food Commission – Uel Morton Co- Chair Food Commission
- Good Food Nation-Next steps -Aileen Bearhop Head of Good Food Nation Team, Food, Drink and Trade Division, Scottish Government

This was followed by an open debate.

**28 March 2018**

Attendance 2 MSPs, 28 non-MSPs. Chaired by Rhoda Grant MSP.

**The Obesity Consultation and Ways Forward**

There were presentations from;

- Melanie Weldon, Obesity Strategy Lead, Scottish Government
- Heather Peace, Head Nutrition Science and Policy, Food Standards Scotland

This was followed by an open debate.

**28 April 2017**

Attendance 2 MSPs, 37 Non-MSPs. Chaired by Mark Ruskell MSP.

**Minimising Food Waste and Opportunities**

There were 4 presentations;

- Introduction and scene setting -Iain Gulland, CEO, Zero Waste Scotland
- Manufacturers- Cat Hay, Policy and Industry Liaison Manager, Food and Drink Federation Scotland
- Retailers –Ewan MacDonald-Russell, Head of Policy and External Affairs, Scottish Retail Consortium
- Communities -Pete Ritchie, Executive Director, Nourish/ Co-Owner, Whitmuir Organics

This was followed by an open debate.

**19 September 2018**

Attendance 5 MSPs 36 Non-MSPs. Chaired by John Scott MSP.

There was an election of officers and the following were elected:

**Co-Conveners**

John Scott Con  
Mark Ruskell Green  
Gail Ross SNP  
Rhoda Grant Labour

**Secretariat**

Mary Lawton FDF Scotland

Brexit and the Price of Food

There were presentations from

- Ian Wright CBE –Chief Executive Food and Drink Scotland
- George Burgess –Head of Trade Policy Food and Drink, Scottish Government

This was followed by an open debate.

**MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

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

John Scott Con  
Peter Chapman Con  
Gail Ross SNP  
Mark Ruskell Green  
Patrick Harvie Green  
Rhoda Grant Lab  
Claire Baker Lab  
Claudia Beamish Lab

**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	Elina Scheers Andersson Martin Meteyard Morag Jardine Denise Walton Lesley Stanley Christopher Trotter Colette Backwell John Whitehead Ian Shankland Maire Amelie Viatte Fiona Bird Peter Brown Bosse Dahlgren Chris Peace
Organisations	3 x 1 Public Relations Aberdeen Uni Abertay Uni Advocate for Animals Agrico AHDB Artilus Asda Bellenden Caledonian Public Affairs Carnegie Trust Cooperative Development Scotland Coeliac UK Community Food and Health Scotland Community Food Initiatives North East COSLA Dairy UK Deans

	East Lothian Council
	Eco Schools
	Edinburgh Community Food
	Edinburgh Scientific Services
	Fareshare
	Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens
	Food and Drink Federation Scotland
	Food Standards Scotland
	Food Training Scotland
	Glasgow City Council
	Glasgow Caledonian Uni
	Greencity Wholefoods
	Halogen Communications
	Healthyliving award
	Institute of Food Science and Technology
	Interface Food and Drink
	Kafoodle
	Kantar
	Lantra
	Lanarkshire Community Food and Health Partnership
	Love Pure Cakes
	McDonalds
	Newcastle Uni
	NFUS
	NHS Health Scotland
	NHS Lothian
	Nourish
	Nutrition Research and Communication
	Obesity Action Scotland
	Pilton Community Health Project
	Pinnacle
	Pinsent Masons
	PRGS
	Quality Meat Scotland
	Queen Margaret University

	REHIS Robert Gordon University Royal Society of Arts RHASS Sainsburys SAOS School of Thai Kitchen Scotland Scotch Whisky Association Scotland Food and Drink Scottish Agricultural College Scottish Bakers Scottish Crofting Federation Scottish Enterprise Scottish Federation of Meat Traders' Association Scottish Food Guide Scottish Food Quality Certification (SFQC) Scottish Government Scottish Land and Estates Scottish Natural Heritage Scottish Organic Milk Scottish Qualifications Association Scottish Retail Consortium Scottish Salmon Producers Org Seafish Seafood Scotland SFQC Skills Development Scotland Slow Food Soil Association Scotland Supernature Tartan Silk PR Taste Communications Tesco The Children's Orchard Trellis Scotland
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**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	John Scott, Gail Ross, Mark Ruskell, Rhoda Grant
Deputy Convener	None
Secretary	Mary Lawton Food and Drink Federation Scotland
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.

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).

The Secretary receives support from FDFS. This is £400/day and currently covers 15 days a year.

**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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