

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on MS

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.)

20 September 2016

DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

20 September 2018

DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

20 October 2018

DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11-13 months of the previous AGM]

19 September 2017

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.

19 September 2017

MSP attendance: 5; Non MSP attendance: 18

Main topic – Access to care and support for people with MS.

Meeting covered the election of office bearers; Discussion of the MS Society's My MS My Needs 2 report on access to care and support for people with MS;

Presentation on the Scottish MS Register report from Belinda Weller; Short discussion on the upcoming MS Trust 'Forward View' project.

5 December 2017

MSP attendance: 3; Non MSP attendance: 10

Main topic – Access to care and support or people with MS.

Meeting covered: Presentation on the 'Rewrite the Future' report by Elinor Jayne from Sue Ryder; MS Register report from Belinda Weller; Presentation on 'Lived Experiences' Audrey Birt of the Health and Social Care Alliance on the work the Neurological Alliance of Scotland is undertaking to shape the Scottish Government's National Action Plan for Neurological Conditions; update on disease modifying therapies being considered by the Scottish Medicines Consortium.

27 March 2018

MSP attendance: 3; Non MSP attendance: 13

Main topic – Partnership Working

Meeting covered: Presentation from Mairi O'Keefe, Leuchie House, on the partnership working with Queen Margaret University to deliver person centred care for people with neurological conditions; Presentation from Mhairi Coutts, Revive MS on the first National Conference on Multiple Sclerosis for Primary Care in Scotland which is taking place on 26 April in Glasgow; Update on disease modifying therapies being considered by the Scottish Medicines Consortium; Update on MS Society plans for MS Awareness Week (22-29 April 2018).

20 June 2018

MSP attendance:3; Non MSP attendance: 12

Main topic – MS Nurses.

Meeting covered: Presentation from Mairi Coutts, MS Revive on MS Nurses and supervision and continuing professional development; Presentation from Chrissie Watters, NHS NSS, on Scottish MS Register and National MS Nurse Assessment Tool; Presentation from Rachel Morrison, Specialist MS Nurse NHS Western Isles, on MS Nurses and Technology; Update on disease modifying therapies being considered by the Scottish Medicines Consortium; Update on MS Society campaigns on Personal Independence Payment and 20m rule and Access to medicinal cannabis.

20 September 2018

MSP attendance:6; Non MSP attendance: 46

Main topic – AGM and then joint meeting with CPG on Epilepsy on Neurological Action Plan.

Meeting covered: Following the individual CPGs' AGMs there was a presentation from Stephanie Fraser, Member of National Advisory Committee for Neurological Conditions (NACNC) on the Action Plan and then from the Minister for Public Health Joe Fitzpatrick MSP.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

George Adam, SNP

Clare Adamson, SNP

Donald Cameron, Conservative

Neil Findlay, Labour
 John Finnie, Green
 Lewis Macdonald, Labour
 Liam McArthur, Lib Dem
 Gail Ross, SNP

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.

<p>Individuals</p>	<p>Stacey Adam Margaret Burgess, MSS Ayrshire and Arran Fiona Burns Jaquie Downs, NHS Ayrshire and Arran Cat Johnson Dr Judith McSween, Speech and Language Therapist, Person with MS Rachel Morrison, MS Specialist Nurse, NHS Western Isles Duane Patterson, MS Specialist Social Worker, NHS Dundee Dr Lorna Paul, MS Physiotherapist and Researcher, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde Jenny Preston, Consultant Occupational Therapist, NHS Ayrshire and Arran Elizabeth Quigley Alastair Ross Anne Stewart, MS Specialist Nurse, NHS Highlands Dr Ruth Sumpter, NHS GGC Dr Belinda Weller, Consultant Neurologist, NHS Lothian</p>
<p>Organisations</p>	<p>MS Society - secretary ABPI Scottish Mental Health and Neurological Disease Industry Group Carers net Genetic Alliance UK Leuchie House MS Therapy Centre Lothian MS Trust Revive MS Support Scottish HSCT Network Sue Ryder Care</p>

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	George Adam MSP
Deputy Convener	Donald Cameron MSP Neil Findlay MSP John Finnie MSP
Secretary	MS Society Scotland
Treasurer	N/A

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).

Secretariat support from the MS Society is estimated at approximately £1,000 – £1,500 for the calendar year. This estimate includes a provisional value of staff time, printing of information packs, catering costs, phone calls and speaker travel.

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of the amount charged and the purpose for which the

subscription is intended to be used.

N/A

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