

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions

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.)

14 September 2016

DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

11 September 2019

DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

18 September 2019

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]

12 September 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.

Wednesday 8 November 2018 5.30-8pm

MSP 4 Non MSP 33

- *Effective use of Biological Drugs in Scotland*

Dr Martin Perry, Consultant Rheumatologist and Physician, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

- *“Don’t Delay-Connect Today” Campaign*

Dr Louise Bennet, University of Glasgow

- *Update from Versus Arthritis-Working Well with Arthritis*

Alan McGinley, Policy and Engagement Manager, Versus Arthritis

- *Rheumatology in Scotland: The State of Play –A report from the British Society for Rheumatology and Scottish Society for Rheumatology*

Lauren Bennie, Devolved Nations Liaison Officer for the British Society for Rheumatology

Wednesday 16 March 2019 6-7.30 pm

MSP 3 Non MSP 25

- *NHS Research Scotland Musculoskeletal Inaugural Research Meeting on 13 March 2019*

Professor Stuart Ralston

Arthritis Research UK Professor of Rheumatology

Centre for Genomic and Experimental Medicine

Institute of Genetics and Molecular Medicine, University of Edinburgh

- *Physiotherapy in Scotland, growing the workforce and transforming care.’*

Kenryck Lloyd Jones, Policy and Public Affairs Manager .The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy , Scotland

Wednesday 15 May 6-8pm

The Elephant in the Room Reception in The Garden Lobby hosted by Convenor Brian Whittle MSP on behalf of the Group

Over 100 Group Members and guests attended the event-including 20 MSPs and Ministers.

The Reception provided the opportunity for Members to hear from Professor Iain McInnes CBE and Professor Colin Howie , who described how, by championing

good musculoskeletal health over a lifetime, through birth, school years and throughout life, at national, local and individually level, we can challenge, and often prevent, the enormous impact of musculoskeletal conditions on people and Society. The Reception was also an opportunity to mark the 10th birthday of the Scottish Network for Arthritis in Children , the Scottish Paediatric and Adolescent Rheumatology Network and also the work of Versus Arthritis –Children and Young adults projects.

Speakers:

Professor Iain McInnes CBE, University of Glasgow and President of The European League against Rheumatism(EULAR)

Professor Colin Howie, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery ,University of Edinburgh

Joe Fitzpatrick MSP, Minister for Public Health, Sport and WellBeing

Wednesday 11 September-including Annual General Meeting 6—7.30pm

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- Annual General Meeting
Brian Whittle MSP-Convenor
Rhoda Grant MSP Deputy Convenor
Anne Simpson-Voluntary Secretary
- *Mental Health Matters in Scotland-* – a review of progress following on from the NRAS *Emotional Health and Wellbeing Report* recommendations (2018)

Matt Bezzant, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society

Sheila Macleod, Chair, Scottish Campaigns Network, National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society

- *The Scottish Quality Registry in Rheumatology*
Dr Elizabeth Murphy, Consultant Rheumatologist, NHS Lanarkshire

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Finlay Carson MSP(Conservative and Unionist)
Alex Cole-Hamilton MSP (Liberal Democrat)
Rhoda Grant MSP(Labour)
Pauline McNeil MSP(Labour)
Alexander Stewart MSP (Conservative and Unionist)
David Stewart MSP(Labour)
Brian Whittle MSP(Conservative and Unionist)

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

Dr Louise Bennet
Janice Connelly
Dr James Doonan
Dr Martin Dunbar
Friends of Highland Rheumatology Unit
Professor Colin Howie
Andrea Hynes- Whalley
Janice Johnson
Joan Kerr
Lynn Laidlaw
Dr Rosemary Hollick
Professor Ian MacKinnes
Dr Alex Mavroiedi
Margaret Morrison
Dr Elizabeth Murphy
Dr Ruth Richmond
Dr Stefan Siebert
Anne Simpson
Dr Uve Wolfram

	Genevieve Zapate
Organisations	<p> ABBVIE ASH Scotland Association of British Pharmaceutical Industry Scotland Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceuticals Ltd British Rheumatology Society Community Pharmacy Scotland Chartered Society of Physiotherapists Scotland Glasgow Caledonian University/Rehabilitation/Musculoskeletal Health College of Occupational Therapy Rheumatology Special Interest Group Fibromyalgia UK INTLIFE Lilly UK Medac-Pharma National Ankylosing Spondylitis Society National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society Royal Osteoporosis Society Novartis Non- Celgene Pfizer Polymyalgia Rheumatic/Giant Cell Arteritis Scotland Queen Margaret University , Edinburgh /Nursing Division Roche Scottish Network for Arthritis in Children Scottish Paediatric and Adolescent Rheumatology Network Scottish Society of Rheumatology Teapot Trust UCB Versus Arthritis </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	Brian Whittle MSP
Deputy Convener	Rhoda Grant MSP
Secretary	Anne Simpson(voluntary secretary)
Treasurer	Not applicable

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 is provided voluntarily by retired non- MSP individual member
- Elephant in the Room Reception in Garden Lobby 15 May 2019

Total event cost £2509.68 funded equally by 8 member organisations

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

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

subscription is intended to be used.

Not applicable

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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