

Cross Party Group Older People, Age and Ageing
Minute of Inaugural Meeting
13 September 2016
Room Q1.03 at 5.30pm

Attendees:

MSP Members of the Group

Richard Leonard MSP – Scottish Labour
Colin Smyth, MSP – Scottish Labour
Annie Wells MSP – Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party
Sandra White MSP – Scottish National Party

Non-MSP Members of the Group

Action on Hearing Loss - Alan Dalziel
Age Scotland - Richard Baker
Big Lottery Fund Scotland – Andrew Lindsay
Intergenerational Network – Pat Scrutton
Office of Sandra White MSP – Amanda Gordon
Royal College of Speech and Language Therapy – Robert MacBean
Royal College of Psychiatrists - Laura Hudson
Scottish Older People's Assembly – Glenda Watt
Scottish Pensioners Forum - Rose Jackson
Scottish Seniors Alliance - Bill Johnson

Apologies – a considerable number of apologies were given for this meeting

1. Welcome and introductions

Sandra White, MSP welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited introductions.

2. Election of Office Bearers

Sandra White MSP was elected as Convener, Annie Wells MSP elected as Vice-Convener, Glenda Watt elected as Secretary and Amanda Gordon elected as Treasurer.

3. AOCB

Following discussion, it was agreed that future meetings will include no more than two speakers and the next meeting should be on 'A New Future for Social Security. Consultation on Social Security in Scotland'. Richard Baker proposed that Age Scotland could present its report on early stage dementia and Robert MacBean (RCSLT) suggested a joint meet with Cross Party Group on Mental Health.

4. Proposed date of next meeting

Wednesday 26 October 2016 from 13.00 -14.30 in Committee Room 3