

CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Food

PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

Please provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.

Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.

Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

The Cross Party Group on Food was set up in 2004 and has the following remit:

- To raise awareness of food issues from production through to consumption in Scotland and their importance to the consumer, the economy, the environment and to the health of Scotland;
- To act as a policy forum for discussion and updating on food issues in Scotland;
- To contribute to policy development on a range of food issues in Scotland.

It has provided a forum over the years for discussion and input into a wide range of topics such as the national food and drink policies, obesity, food authenticity, co-operatives, malnutrition, setting up of a new food body in Scotland and food access. We have also had joint meetings with other Groups when there has been a combined interest for example with the Older People CPG, Scottish Environment Link and Obesity CPG (this Group on longer exists).

It has very broad church membership, which is one of its strengths as it provides a forum for discussions across the food chain and the whole breadth of food issues.

The first meeting to re-establish the group was held on Sept 7 2016 and an election for officers was held. The main theme was health and the Scottish consumer- a comparison of Scottish consumption habits with the rest of the UK. There was a presentation by Kantar and then an open debate.

There was a discussion at the meeting to reform the Group on themes for future meetings. Other possible topics in planning stage are productivity and education.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names of all MSP members of the Group. Note that only names need to be provided, no party designation or other information is required.

John Scott
Richard Lochhead
Mark Ruskell
Rhoda Grant
Patrick Harvie
Claire Baker
Claudia Beamish

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.

Organisations	3 x 1 Public Relations Aberdeen Uni Abertay Uni Advocate for Animals Agrico 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
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	Fareshare
	Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens
	Food Standards Scotland
	Food Training Scotland
	Glasgow City Council
	Healthyliving award
	Institute of Food Science and Technology
	Interface Food and Drink
	Kantar
	Lantra
	Lanarkshire Community Food and Health Partnership
	Lithgows
	Love Pure Cakes
	McDonalds
	Newcastle Uni
	NFUS
	NHS Health Scotland
	NHS Lothian
	Nourish
	Obesity Action Scotland
	Pagoda Porter Novelli
	Pilton Community Health Practice
	Pinnacle
	Pinsent Masons
	PRGS
	Quality Meat Scotland
	Queen Margaret University
	REHIS
	Robert Gordon University
	RHASS
	Sainsburys
	SAOS
	School of Thai Kitchen Scotland
	Scotch Whisky Association
	Scotland Food and Drink

	<p>Scottish Agricultural College</p> <p>Scottish Bakers</p> <p>Scottish Crofting Federation</p> <p>Scottish Enterprise</p> <p>Scottish Federation of Meat Traders' Association</p> <p>Scottish Food and Drink Federation</p> <p>Scottish Food Guide</p> <p>Scottish Food Quality Certification (SFQC)</p> <p>Scottish Government</p> <p>Scottish Natural Heritage</p> <p>Scottish Organic Milk</p> <p>Scottish Qualifications Association</p> <p>Scottish Retail Consortium</p> <p>Scottish Salmon Producers Org</p> <p>Seafish</p> <p>Seafood Scotland</p> <p>SFQC</p> <p>Skills Development Scotland</p> <p>Slow Food</p> <p>Soil Association Scotland</p> <p>Tartan Silk PR</p> <p>Taste Communications</p> <p>Tesco</p> <p>The Children's Orchard</p> <p>Trellis Scotland</p> <p>UK Chinese Times</p> <p>University of Aberdeen</p> <p>University of Abertay</p> <p>Vivid Solutions</p> <p>Wordbird</p> <p>William Reed</p> <p>Zero Waste Scotland</p>

Individuals	<p>Elina Scheers Andersson</p> <p>Martin Meteyard</p> <p>Morag Jardine</p> <p>Denise Walton</p> <p>Lesley Stanley</p> <p>Christopher Trotter</p> <p>Colette Backwell</p> <p>John Whitehead</p> <p>Ian Shankland</p> <p>Maire Amelie Viatte</p> <p>Fiona Bird</p> <p>Peter Brown</p> <p>Bosse Dahlgren</p>
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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.

Co-Conveners	John Scott, Richard Lochhead, Mark Ruskell, Rhoda Grant
Deputy Convener	None
Secretary	Mary Lawton Scottish Food and Drink Federation
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.

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.

The Secretary receives support from SFDF. This is £400/day and currently covers 10 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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STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Food is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed	John Scott
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Date	13.9.16
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