

CROSS PARTY GROUP ON TOBACCO AND HEALTH

**MINUTE OF MEETING: THURSDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2015, 12.45PM TO 2.15PM, IN ROOM TG20.21 OF
THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (POSTPONED FROM NOVEMBER 2014)

Present:

Willie Rennie MSP	Convener
Richard Simpson MSP	Deputy Convener
Jayne Baxter MSP	
Joshua Bird	British Heart Foundation Scotland
Karen Clough	Asthma UK Scotland
Sara Collier	Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
Gerry Crawley	NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
Ruaraidh Dobson	British Lung Foundation Scotland and Northern Ireland
Mark Feeney	Community Pharmacy Scotland
Celia Gardiner	NHS Health Scotland
Hamid Gazem	South Ayrshire Council Trading Standards Service
Karen Gray	Glasgow City CHP
Angela MacLeod	The Stroke Association
Gregor McNie	Cancer Research UK
Rebecca Middlemiss	Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland
Roslynn Newman	Children in Scotland
Erin Robertson	British Medical Association
Dr Alan Rodger	Individual member
Mike Andrews	ASH Scotland
Sheila Duffy	ASH Scotland
Sarah King	ASH Scotland
John Watson	ASH Scotland

Apologies:

Brian Auld	Royal Environmental Health Institute Scotland
Aileen Bryson	Royal Pharmaceutical Society
James Cant	British Lung Foundation Scotland and Northern Ireland
Linda McLeod	Breathe Easy Clackmannanshire
Crawford Moodie	The University of Stirling Institute of Social Marketing
Susanne Cameron-Nielson	Royal Pharmaceutical Society
Lindsay Paterson	Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
Diane Thomson	Pfizer UK Ltd
Valerie Smith	ASH Scotland

		Action
1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies/Membership</p> <p>Apologies, as detailed above, were noted</p> <p>The meeting was informed that Hanzala Malik MSP was no longer able to be a member of the group (notified 27 Nov 2014), due to work commitments.</p>	
2.	<p>Minute of Meeting – 6th November 2014</p> <p><u>(a) Approval of Minute and ratification of decisions made (as meeting on 6th November 2014 was not quorate)</u></p> <p>The minute of the meeting was approved and the following decisions ratified:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To re-elect Willie Rennie MSP as Convener, with Richard Simpson MSP and Kenneth Gibson MSP as Deputy Conveners • For ASH Scotland to continue as secretariat • To focus meetings in 2015 on a review of Tobacco and Health Inequalities, resulting in a report and recommendations to be launched at a larger meeting of the group, open to non members. <p><u>(b) Any matters arising</u></p> <p>No other specific matters were raised.</p> <p>The Group noted the positive progress being made at Westminster regarding the implementation process for standardised packs and the smoking in cars with children at Holyrood.</p>	
3.	<p>AGM Business (Postponed from November 2014)</p> <p><u>Appointment of office bearers and secretariat</u></p> <p>The meeting approved the appointment of the office bearers and secretariat, as confirmed by electronic voting 4th December 2014</p> <p>Convener – Willie Rennie MSP Deputy Convener – Kenneth Gibson MSP Deputy Convener – Richard Simpson MSP Secretariat – ASH Scotland</p> <p><u>Approval of the draft annual return</u></p> <p>The meeting approved the draft annual return, which can now be submitted to the Standards Committee of the Scottish Parliament.</p>	VS/WR
4.	<p>Meetings 2015</p> <p>It was noted the meeting originally scheduled for 30th April 2015 had now been cancelled.</p>	

	<p><u>Schedule of Meetings for 2015:-</u></p> <p>5th February 2015 11th June 2015 8th October 2015 26th November 2015 – to include AGM business</p>	
5.	<p>Tobacco and Inequalities Programme</p> <p>A general discussion took place around the agreed focus for the Group during 2015. It had been agreed that the first meeting should focus on inequalities in the area of mental health.</p> <p>John Watson of ASH Scotland gave a presentation on ‘What we know about Smoking and Mental Health’ and a lively discussion followed.</p> <p>It was agreed to look at influencing the next mental health strategy, to ensure adequate emphasis on smoking and to look into the resources currently being put into smoking cessation for mental health patients in each health board.</p>	JW
6.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>No other matters were raised.</p>	
7.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>11th June 2015, 12.45pm to 2.15pm, at The Scottish Parliament</p>	