

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Cuba

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.)

June 2011

DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

4th February 2015

DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 12 months of the previous AGM]

5th February 2014

DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

6th March 2015

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.

AGM 4 Feb 2015 – 4 MSP's in attendance Elaine Smith, Neil Findlay, Sandra White, Hugh Henry. 1 non MSP in attendance
Main purpose of meeting was to re-elect office bearers.

Meeting 14th January 2015 – 2 MSP's, 11 non MSP's in attendance
The meeting was to discuss the freeing of the Miami Five following the years of campaigning by the Scottish Cuba Solidarity Campaign. The meeting also included

standard agenda item on Venezuela Solidarity Campaign and matters of interest in the region. Speaker, Frieda Park gave an update on the International Commission of Inquiry into the case of the Miami Five.

Meeting proposed for June 2014 – Had to be postponed due to incompatible availability of MSP'S

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Elaine Smith Labour
 Sandra White SNP
 Neil Findlay Labour
 Hugh Henry Labour
 Drew Smith Labour
 Murdo Fraser Conservatives
 Jim Hume Lib Dem

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.

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| Individuals | Liz Elkind, Vince Mills, Pauline Bryan, Stuart Hyslop, Neil Anderson, Pauline Boyle, Kevin Carroll, Peter Clifford, Kath Bateman, Vicky Grandon, Tommy Kane, Dougie Kerr, John McAllion, Simon McFarlane, Valentina Montoya, Ronnie Moran, Cllr Gordon Munro, Dot Sharkey, Arthur West, Ian Parsons, Elspeth Parsons, Margaret McGregor, Freida Park, Gerry Corbett, Pamela Holmes, Dr Joan Cutting, Marlyn Glen, Ray Newton, Adrienne Chalmers, Jan Pietrasik, Colin McCulloch, Graham McGeoch, Richard Le Sueur, Paul Harding, John Quinn |
| Organisations | Kath Campbell, Scottish Cuba Solidarity Brian Pollitt, Scottish medical aid for Cuba Phil McGarry, Matthew Crichton Scottish Venezuela Solidarity Ann Henderson, Helen Martin STUC |

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.

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| Convener | Elaine Smith MSP |
| Deputy Convener | Sandra White, Neil Findlay MSP's |
| Secretary | Liz Elkind |
| 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).

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

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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