

CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ANNUAL RETURN FORM

1. GROUP NAME <i>Code of Conduct 6.2.4</i>	
Groups that have been accorded recognition will be permitted to use the title <i>Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament</i> .	
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Epilepsy	
2. DATE GROUP APPROVED	3. DATE ANNUAL REPORT
2.9.11	29.6.12
4. GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES	
For each group meeting or other activity please provide the date, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and attendance figures (MSP and non-MSP).	
<p>30.6.11 – Inaugural meeting of the Cross-Party Group on Epilepsy. 3 MSPs and 4 non-MSPs in attendance</p> <p>21.9.11 – Epilepsy Transitions event looking at issues affecting young people with difficult epilepsy when moving to adult services. 5 MSPs and 45 guests in attendance</p> <p>24.11.11 – FAI reports about two teenagers and SUDEP (Sudden and Unexpected Death in Epilepsy). 4 MSPs and 29 non-MSPs in attendance</p> <p>26.1.12 – Research into the genetics of epilepsy. 3 MSPs and 27 non-MSPs in attendance</p> <p>26.4.12 – Looking at the links between epilepsy and dementia. Also the Group's AGM. 6 MSPs and 19 non-MSPs in attendance</p>	
5. GROUP MEMBERS <i>Code of Conduct 6.4, Rules 2, 3, 5, 6 & 8</i>	
When listing members, who are MSPs, only the MSPs name need be given. For members from outwith the Parliament, the name of the member and any employer they represent must be given.	
MSPs	Non-MSPs Individuals
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kenneth Gibson • Alison McInnes • Richard Simpson 	<p>Marilyn Bryce</p> <p>Craig Miller PA to Richard Simpson MSP</p>
	Organisations

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob Doris • Claire Baker • Duncan McNeil • Hanzala Malik • Helen Eadie • Hugh Henry • Humza Yousaf • James Kelly • Jamie Hepburn • Jamie McGrigor • Jim Hume • John Park • John Scott • Malcolm Chisholm • Mary Fee • Murdo Fraser • Nanette Milne • Paul Wheelhouse • Richard Lyle • Ruth Davidson • Sandra White • Willie Rennie 	<p>Epilepsy Bereaved</p> <p>Epilepsy Connections</p> <p>Epilepsy Nurses Association (ESNA)</p> <p>Epilepsy Scotland</p> <p>Epilepsy West Lothian</p> <p>Joint Epilepsy Council</p> <p>Quarriers</p> <p>Scottish Epilepsy Initiative</p>
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6. GROUP OFFICERS *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 4*

Please amend titles as necessary e.g. to indicate joint office holders, or preferred titles.

Convener	Kenneth Gibson MSP
Vice-Convener	Deputy Conveners: Alison McInnes MSP Richard Simpson MSP
Secretary	Nanette Milne MSP
Treasurer	

7. FINANCIAL OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED *Code of Conduct 6.3.1 & 6.3.6, 6.4 Rule 10*

The group must register any financial or other material benefit received by the group from whatever source, where the value of the financial sum or benefit from any single source exceeds £500 in any one calendar year. This includes donations, sponsorship, subscriptions, hospitality, gifts, visits, provision of services or accommodation or staff assistance. The value of use of Parliamentary facilities need not be registered.

The details requiring to be registered include a brief description of the benefit, the approximate monetary value, the date on which it was received and the source from which it came. Where a consultancy organisation provides benefits, the client on whose behalf these are provided should be named.

Date	Amount	Description
30.6.11 21.9.11 24.11.11 26.1.12	£134.70 £815.01 £495.18 £222.58	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No income was received or spent directly by the Cross-Party Group on Epilepsy since the last AGM in April 2010. However, the Joint Epilepsy Council of the UK and Ireland has provided assistance through a Secretariat and has met mailing, catering and speakers' expenses amounting to £1667.47 for Epilepsy Group meetings over the last 12 months Inaugural meeting Transitions reception Cross-Party Group meeting Cross-Party Group meeting

8. GROUP SUBSCRIPTION *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 9*

Where a group charges or proposes to charge a subscription, this must be reasonable and the same for all members. The amount of the subscription should be registered and the purposes for which it is intended to use the subscription.

Amount per group member per year	None
Date subscription applied	N/A

9. GROUP STAFF AS PARLIAMENTARY PASS HOLDERS

If a group makes use of staff issued with a Parliamentary pass, any paid activity undertaken by those staff where the employer benefits from the pass holder's access to the Parliament must be registered. There is no need to state the amount of remuneration. The requirement relates both to staff employed directly by the group and to staff employed by an outside organisation to provide assistance to the group.

Staff name	N/A
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Title of post	
Name and address of employer organisation	
Type of employer organisation	
10. GROUP CONTACT <i>Code of Conduct 6.3.4, 6.3.5 and 6.5.1 – 6.5.4</i> Please give the full details of an elected official of the group who is an MSP who will be the contact for registration matters for the group. Initially this must be the Member who signs the declaration on compliance with the rules on behalf of the group. If a group subsequently changes the designated contact, the office of the Standards Clerk must be informed within 7 days of the change.	
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