

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

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| NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP |
| Cross-Party Group on Pakistan |
| DATE GROUP ESTABLISHED (the date of establishment is the date that the Group held its initial meeting, where the office bearers were elected and not the date that the Group was accorded recognition) |
| CPG was set up on 19 April 2012 |
| DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED |
| 1 May 2013 |
| 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. |
| Formal meetings were held on 27 March 2013 and 17 April 2013. There were informal meetings on 13 June 2012 and 14 November 2012. CPG Meeting 27 March 2013 5 MSP'S, 44 Non-MSP'S Videos/Presentations were made which showed Pakistani Pictures of landscapes with Music in the background to mark the occasion of Pakistan Day. Guest Speakers Saqlain Javed, Consul, Consulate of Pakistan, Glasgow Sajjad Qazi, CWC, Consulate General of Pakistan, Manchester Lynn Cameron, CEO of Scottish Chamber of Commerce Saqlain Javed, spoke and wished the Scottish Pakistani Community a Pakistan Resolution Day. Saqlain. Saqlain Javed also highlighted that there should be trade links between Scotland and Pakistan and Pakistan is a great place of business and this can be developed between Scotland and Pakistan. |

Sajjad Qazi, Spoke and introduced himself as the Community Welfare Counsellor based at the Consulate General of Pakistan in Manchester and he is responsible for Community Welfare issues in Scotland. He has just taken over the post recently and moved from Islamabad . He explained Community Welfare Division (CWD) looks after the welfare of expatriate Pakistanis in the UK. It has two offices one each in London and Manchester each headed by a Counsellor. The CWD handles all grievances against individuals and Government departments in Pakistan . These grievances are sent to the Complaints Cell for overseas Pakistanis in the Prime Minister's Secretariat (Public) in Islamabad and the Provincial Complaint Cells in the provincial capitals. He also highlighted that he had visited the Isle of Harris in the Outer Hebrides in Scotland and made a presentation on the scenery of Outer Hebrides then he also made a presentation on the similar places in Pakistan and asked the audience to tell the difference between both places and he highlighted that Scotland and Pakistan should develop tourism links to promote tourism between Scotland and Pakistan as both countries enjoyed great culture and had picture scenery and landscape.

Liz Cameron spoke as the CEO of Scottish Chamber of Commerce and explained her role of the chamber As the umbrella organisation for 26 local Chambers of Commerce representing more than 50 percent of private sector jobs in Scotland - Scottish Chambers of Commerce has built a reputation as Scotland's premier voice for business at national and international level. Liz Cameron was very pleased to formally announce establishment of Scottish Pakistan Trade Board and the Scottish Chamber of Commerce will act as the secretariat. Scottish Pakistan Trade Board will promote trade and business links between Scotland through Government to Government and business to business and will promote more business and entrepreneur links and this a very a positive step.

The Community members raised the PIA issue again. As in Pakistan there is a caretaker set-up this will be followed up to find what the latest on the PIA flights between Scotland and Lahore

CPG discussed about forming a subcommittee on women which would be headed by Siobhan McMahon which would report to the main CPG on Pakistan and would act as the sub group and feed issues to the CPG on issues affecting Women of Pakistan origin living in Scotland. All present welcomed this and no objections were raised as all thought this was an excellent idea to promote the women issues.

CPG Meeting/AGM 17 April 2013

2 MSP'S, 12 Non MSP'S attendees

Minutes of the last CPG meeting which was held on 27 March 2013 were distributed and discussed. Members appreciated the CPG meeting which was held on 27 March to mark the Pakistan Day was a great success with excellent turnout along with the representatives of the Consulate of Pakistan, Glasgow and Consulate General of Pakistan Manchester.

There is clear adequate support from the Pakistani diaspora in Scotland and organisations Public and Private in Scotland for the Cross Party Group on Pakistan

and great support also in Pakistan.

Election/Appointment of Officer Bearers

The floor appreciated the work which the CPG has done so far and Mohammed Mohsin proposed that since Scotland is intending to give 40 scholarships to Pakistan as mentioned in the last CPG by the Consulate of Pakistan then CPG on Pakistan should have role in this regard to ensure the mechanism of awarding the scholarship since CPG on Pakistan was set up to act as a platform for Scotland and Pakistan. This was seconded by Dr Fatima Bajwa.

Informal Meeting 14 November 2012

5 MSP'S, 32 Non MSP'S

This was an informal meeting and discussed the visit of Federal Secretary to Government of Pakistan on Overseas Pakistani who visited Scotland to look at issues affecting the Scottish Pakistani Community and the steps taken to be the Federal Secretary.

Also discussed the creation of Friends of Scotland in the Pakistan Senate

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.

Michael McMahan
Murdo Fraser
Willie Rennie
Siobhan McMahan
Hanzala Malik
Jim Eadie
Sarah Boyack
Chic Brodie

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.

Individuals

Malik Masood
Hassan Shah Bukhari
Abid Raja
Nedeem Ashraf
Mehmood Hussian
Mehmooob Ditta
Dr Nabila Masood

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| | <p> Afshan Masood Umair Raja Iftikhar Hussain Khalid Mir Asghar Malik Abid Tariq Mian Zeeshan Saeed Syed Khan Parveen Khalid Khalida Hussain Khalid Mir Muhammed Tanvir Muhammed Iqbal Muhammed Hameed Councillor Angela Blackstock Mohammed Imran Mohammed Majeed Irfan Majeed Zahira Hassan Shazia Nadeem Mohammed Javed Sardar Ali Asghar Mohammed Kabir Anila Ansari Mohammed Mohsin Fatima Bajwa Mohammed Kabir Dr Amjad Shehryar Khan Willie McArthur Ehtansham Danish Awan Amjad Butt (Pakistan) </p> |
| Organisations | <p> NHS Tayside NHS 24 University of Glasgow University of Stirling Robert Gordon University Telford College Scottish Chambers of Commerce BAA Glasgow Airport Scottish Asian Pakistan Foundation Central Scotland Racial Equality Council Scottish Ambulance Service Victim Support Pakistan Community Centre and Mosque, Edinburgh Scottish Police International Police Scotland Scottish Development International </p> |

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| | Mercy Corps Consulate of Pakistan Glasgow UNISON Scottish Co-operative Party Friends of Scotland, National Assembly (Pakistan Parliament) Scottish and Pakistan Economic Relations Committee, Lahore Chamber of Commerce Scottish Financial Enterprise (SFE) Community Welfare Attaché, Embassy of Pakistan, London Community Welfare Attaché, Consulate General of Pakistan, Manchester Friends of Scotland, Senate of Pakistan Lahore Stock Exchange Overseas Pakistani Foundation Ministry of Overseas Pakistani, Government of Pakistan K A JAVID & CO Accountants |
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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.

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| Convener | Michael McMahon |
| Deputy Convener | Murdo Fraser Willie Rennie |
| Secretary | Amer Masood |
| Treasurer | |

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.

none

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 as Free to all

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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