

CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

ANNUAL RETURN FORM

1. GROUP NAME *Code of Conduct 6.2.2*

Groups that have been accorded recognition will be permitted to use the title *Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament*.

Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency.

2. DATE GROUP APPROVED

2 October 2007

3. DATE ANNUAL REPORT

25 October 2012

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).

05 October 2011 **AGM**

(3 MSPs and 15 non-MSPs) The Annual Return was approved and office bearers elected.

12 January 2012 **Local authority finance and delivery models for energy efficiency**

(6 MSPs and 48 non-MSPs) Phil Matthews from CAG consultants (representing the Existing Homes Alliance Scotland), Mike Thornton from the Energy Saving Trust and Philip Joyce from Newcastle City Council gave presentations on how Local Authorities can use the Green Deal to help provide funding for energy efficiency measures.

23 February 2012 **Marine Energy Funding**

(1 MSP, 34 Non-MSPs) Neil Davidson, Aquamarine Power, Ray Hunter, RES Offshore, and David Ainsworth, Marine Current Turbines, gave presentations on the opportunities and challenges in finding funding for wave and tidal energy devices.

24 April 2012 **Economic Impact of Renewables**

(4 MSPs, 65 non-MSPs) Niall Stuart, Scottish Renewables, Michael Timar, PricewaterhouseCooper, and Darah Zahran, Skills Development Scotland, gave presentations on the amount of jobs and investment in the Scottish renewables sector and talked about how Scotland can meet any future skills gaps.

5. GROUP MEMBERS *Code of Conduct 6.3, Rules 2, 3, 8, 9 & 10*

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
Claudia Beamish Marco Biagi Sarah Boyack Nigel Don Jim Eadie Kenneth Gibson Rhoda Grant Patrick Harvie Mike Mackenzie Liam McArthur Jamie McGrigor David Torrance	A list of the individual members are listed on the CPG webpages
	Organisations
	Energy Saving Trust Scottish Renewables

6. GROUP OFFICERS *Code of Conduct 6.3, Rule 4*

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

Co-Conveners	Sarah Boyack MSP Jim Eadie MSP
Vice-Conveners	Liam McArthur MSP Jamie McGrigor MSP
Secretary (renewable energy)	Gavin Donoghue
Secretary (energy efficiency)	Elaine Waterson
Treasurer	Gavin Donoghue

7. FINANCIAL OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED *Code of Conduct 6.4.6*

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 £250 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
05.10.11	£81.36	Catering for AGM paid for by Scottish Renewables
12.1.12	£267.66	Catering for SPREEE meeting paid for by Energy Saving Trust
23.2.12	£127.50	Catering for SPREEE meeting paid for by Scottish Renewables
24.4.12	£308.76	Catering for SPREEE meeting paid for by Scottish Renewables

8. GROUP SUBSCRIPTION *Code of Conduct 6.3, Rule 7*

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	None
Title of post	
Name and address of employer organisation	
Type of employer organisation	

10. GROUP CONTACT *Code of Conduct 6.4.4 and 6.5.1 – 6.5.5*

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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