

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Dyslexia
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.)
28 th September 2016
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
19 th September 2018
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
12 th October 2018
DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11-13 months of the previous AGM]
20 th September 2017
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.
20 th September 2017 MSP – 7, Non MSP - 18 Cathy Mcgee, Chief Executive, Dyslexia Scotland provided details of the key priorities for the organisation with particular reference to the work of the Scottish Government/ Education Scotland Working Group which has been addressing the recommendations of the Making Sense of Dyslexia Report.

8th February 2018 MSP – 6, Non MSP - 16

The focus was on the theme of Dyslexia and Health and Well-being and focused on the impact of dyslexia on the mental health children young people and adults

30th May 2018 MSP – 3, Non MSP 19

Presentation by the Education Scotland Development Officer leading on the Making Sense of Dyslexia Review detailing the progress made, to date, in addressing the recommendations of the report across Scottish local authorities.

Key Issues raised:

- Teachers continuing to be asked to undertake levels of assessment which they feel they have not received sufficient training
- Post school implications of not having a definitive or formal dyslexia assessment
- Lack of consistent support at Colleges and Universities
- Affordable access to affordable adult assessments
- The impact of budget cuts to key support staff across local authorities

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Margaret Mitchell MSP, Conservative Party

Stuart McMillan MSP, Scottish National Party

Tom Arthur MSP, Scottish National Party

Tom Mason MSP, Conservative Party

Donald Cameron MSP, Conservative Party

Emma Harper MSP, Scottish National Party

Maurice Corry MSP, Conservative Party

Elaine Smith MSP, Scottish Labour Party

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

Susan Agnew

Emma Malins

Martin Davies

	David Jones Jo Moran Diane Smith Monica Gribben Jenny Guise
Organisations	Dyslexia Scotland Dyslexia Scotland Borders Dyslexia Scotland West Lothian Dyslexia Scotland Lochaber Dyslexia Scotland Lanarkshire Dyslexia Ayrshire Loretta School Lomond School University of Aberdeen Open University Hamilton College National Farmer's Union
<p>GROUP OFFICE BEARERS</p> <p>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.</p>	
Convener	Margaret Mitchell MSP
Deputy Convener	Stuart McMillan MSP
Secretary	David Jones
Treasurer	Martin Davies

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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.

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