

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Rail
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.)
25 October 2016
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
27 November 2019
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
28 November 2019
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]
29 November 2018
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.
29 November 2018 – this meeting was only for the AGM to ensure compliance with the code of conduct. John Mason MSP and Pauline McNeill MSP were elected as co-conveners and Liam Kerr MSP and John Finnie MSP were elected as vice conveners. ScotRail Alliance were re-elected as secretariat.

2 April 2019 – 7 MSPs, 16 external members. This meeting provided an overview of Network Rail's plans for Control Period 6, presented by Jonathan Pugh, Strategy and Planning Director.

8 May 2019 – 7 MSPs, 21 external members. This meeting was addressed by Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity, who answered questions on rail investment.

25 September 2019 – 3 MSPs, 20 external members. This meeting focused on freight and was addressed by Andy Saunders, Network Rail freight delivery director.

27 November 2019 – 3 MSPs, 4 external members. This meeting was only for the AGM to ensure compliance with the code of conduct. John Mason MSP and Pauline McNeill MSP were elected as co-conveners and Liam Kerr MSP and John Finnie MSP were elected as vice conveners. Scotland's Railway (Network Rail and ScotRail) were re-elected as secretariat.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

John Mason (SNP)

Pauline McNeill (Scottish Labour)

Liam Kerr (Scottish Conservative and Unionist)

John Finnie (Scottish Green party)

Alexander Stewart (Scottish Conservative and Unionist)

Oliver Mundell (Scottish Conservative and Unionist)

Neil Bibby (Scottish Labour)

Joan McAlpine (SNP)

David Stewart (Scottish Labour)

Mark Ruskell (Scottish Green Party)

Lewis Macdonald (Scottish Labour)

Jackie Baillie (Scottish Labour)

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	Stephen Young Jim Harkins Janice Connelly Allan Maclean Richard Ardern Daniel Giblin Aaron McHale Cameron Buchanan
Organisations	Allan Rail Aslef Campaign for Borders Rail Capital Rail Action Group Friends of the Far North Line HITRANS Levenmouth Rail Campaign Light Rail UK LRTA Montrose Port Authority NESTRANS Network Rail & ScotRail (working together as Scotland's Railway) Newburgh Train Station Group Rail Action Group East of Scotland Railfuture Scotland RailQwest St Andrews Rail Link Campaign SWestrans Tactran Transform Scotland Transport Focus West Coast Rail 250 Hitachi Rail Cycling Scotland Passenger Focus LNER

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.

Convener	John Mason MSP/Pauline McNeill MSP
Deputy Convener	John Finnie MSP/Liam Kerr MSP
Secretary	Heather Noller, Scotland's Railway
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).

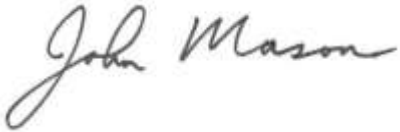
SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

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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