

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

<b>NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP</b>			
Cross-Party Group on Crofting			
<b>DATE GROUP ESTABLISHED</b> (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.)			
29 June 2016			
<b>DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM</b>			
27 October 2020			
<b>DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED</b>			
26 November 2020			
<b>DATE OF PRECEDING AGM</b> [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]			
18 June 2029			
<b>GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES</b>			
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.			
Date	Topics	MSPs	Non-MSPs
20 Sep 2019	Disposal of waste plastics Crofting Support Crofting legislation Crofting Development: Crofting Administration	3	26

13 Nov 2019	Cabinet Secretary Fergus Ewing on convergence rebate. The Work of the Crofting Commission. Crofting Support Crofting legislation Crofting Development Concessions on ferries	3	17
14 Jan 2020	Waste Plastics Agriculture - outlook for the year Crofting Administration Crofting Support	2	23
06 Mar 2020	Crofting Development Introduction to crofting Development. National Development Plan for Crofting. Crofting Diversity Pays! Farm Advisory Service. Crofting Administration Crofting Legislation Crofting Support Rural mental health Assets for Care Registration of croft boundaries	2	25
27 Oct 2020	AGM Disposal of plastic waste National Development Plan for Crofting Crofting Legislation Crofting Administration Crofting Support	4	51

### **MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

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

Rhoda Grant SL  
Alasdair Allan SN  
Edward Mountain SC&U  
Beatrice Wishart SLD  
Donald Cameron SC&U  
Graeme Dey SN  
John Finnie SGP  
David Stewart SL  
Gail Ross SN  
Richard Lochhead SN  
Liam MacArthur SLD

Angus MacDonald SN  
Emma Harper SNP  
Colin Smyth SL  
Jamie Halcro-Johnston SC&U

### **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	Angus MacDonald David Smith Derek Flyn Donald Meek Iain MacKinnon Jamie McGrigor Jean Urquhart Jim Lugton John Mackintosh Joyce Wilkinson Karen MacRae Maria Scholten Mark Shucksmith Morag Jardine Donald Murdie Paddy Zakaria
Organisations	Assynt Foundation Assist Social Capital Crofting Commission Care Farming Scotland Common Good Food Community Land Scotland Crofting Law Group Comhairle nan Eilean Siar

	<p>European Forum for Nature Conservation &amp; Pastoralism</p> <p>Forestry Commission Scotland</p> <p>Highland Council</p> <p>Highlands &amp; Islands Enterprise</p> <p>Highland Small Communities Housing Trust</p> <p>James Hutton Institute</p> <p>LANTRA</p> <p>National Farmers Union Scotland</p> <p>Nourish Scotland</p> <p>National Trust for Scotland</p> <p>Registers of Scotland</p> <p>Royal Society for the Protection of Birds Scotland</p> <p>SAC consulting</p> <p>Soil Association Scotland</p> <p>Scottish Crofting Federation</p> <p>SCF Young Crofters</p> <p>Scottish Churches Rural Group</p> <p>Scottish Land &amp; Estates</p> <p>Scottish Natural Heritage</p> <p>Smallholder Scotland</p> <p>Royal Society for the Protection of Birds</p> <p>University of Highlands and Islands</p> <p>Woodland Crofts Partnership</p> <p>Woodland Trust Scotland.</p>
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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.

Co-conveners	Rhoda Grant MSP; Alasdair Allan MSP; Edward Mountain MSP; Beatrice Wishart MSP
Deputy Convener	

Secretary	Patrick Krause
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.

The group benefits from the secretariat support provided by Patrick Krause, an employee of SCF, most of which is in his own time and for which he does not claim compensation in cash or kind. However as there is no provision within the CPG rules for an organisation to provide voluntary support, were Patrick to charge for his time it would amount to about £840 for the year (6 meetings, 7 hours per meeting including preparation, attendance and writing up minutes, at £20 per hr).

**SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP**

Please provide details of the amount charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

There is no subscription charge.

**CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

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