

CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions
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.)
14 September 2016
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
13 September 2017
DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 12 months of the previous AGM]
2nd March 2016 (previous parliamentary session)
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
28 September 2017 – previous annual return submitted 14 March 2016
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.
Wednesday 14 September 2016 Attendance MSP – 2 Non-MSP – 9 • Inaugural meeting in new session.

- Election of office bearers

Discussion - aims and objectives of the group - and associated work programme.

Wednesday 1 March, 17:30-19:30

Attendance

MSP – 2

Non-MSP – 40

- Quality Improvement: quality and efficiency in health care -the balance between emergency and planned surgery

Professor Colin Howie, University of Edinburgh, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, NHS Lothian and Clinical Lead, Trauma and Orthopaedic ACCESS (Addressing Core Capacity Everywhere in Scotland Sustainably) programme.

NHS Scotland faces a significant challenge in balancing the current activity levels of Trauma and Orthopaedic services with levels of increasing demand as the population ages.

- The Impact of Social Deprivation and Lifestyle on Inflammatory and Degenerative Arthritis

Dr Helen Harris, University of St Andrews and Consultant Rheumatologist, NHS Fife
Mr Ali Mehdi, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, NHS Borders

Obesity and smoking – higher levels of both in areas of deprivation - can increase risk of developing osteoarthritis and inflammatory arthritis – and also may adversely influence the effectiveness of treatments following diagnosis.

- Patient Choices “You changed my Life” Award

Presentation to Dr John Hunter, Consultant Rheumatologist, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

Debbie Cook, Chief Executive, National Ankylosing Spondylitis Society

Wednesday 14 June, 17:30-19:30

Attendance

MSP – 2

Non-MSP – 9

- “State of the Nation” survey
Debbie Cook, National Ankylosing Spondylitis Society
- Joint Working, the impact of arthritis on everyday working life
Angela Donaldson Bruce and Stacey Highfield, Arthritis Care Scotland
- The power of personal stories-influencing the UK Government White paper on work, health and disability
Phil Baker, National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society

An opportunity to hear from 3 organisations who have recently reported on the issues facing people with arthritis and musculoskeletal conditions when trying to manage their conditions and remain in employment

Wednesday 13 September (including AGM), 17:30-19:30

Attendance

MSP – 2

Non-MSP – 22

- Promotion of bone health, primary and secondary prevention of osteoporosis, prevention of fragility fractures in Scotland
Dr Stephen Gallacher, Consultant Physician , NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

Osteoporosis and resulting fragility fractures is an increasing public health problem in Scotland as the population lives longer but the fracture liaison service model of care can reduce the burden on health care services as well as improve outlook for individuals. Variations in commissioning and service delivery per health board area however still remain, particularly around DXA capacity and waiting times.

- National AHP MSK Redesign Programme Update
Judith Reid Interim Lead, National MSK Programme, Scottish Government

Scotland's AHP MSK services are in increasingly high demand. MSK conditions have significant consequences for the individual, but also significant impact on a wider socio-economical scale. People with MSK problems across Scotland need to have easy access to a self-management resource and early appropriate advice and, if necessary, assessment by an efficient AHP service to get them started on the right pathway for their treatment first time. Although progress is being made, resource and financial challenges remain with this new and evolving new model of healthcare delivery.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Alex Cole Hamilton MSP (Liberal Democrat)
Rhoda Grant MSP (Labour)
Pauline McNeil MSP (Labour)
David Stewart MSP (Labour)
Brian Whittle MSP (Conservative and Unionist)

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	Jackie Berg Professor Colin Howie Dr Jane Gibson Janice Johnson Joan Kerr Angie Lloyd-Jones Dr Alan Macdonald Mr Ali Mehdi Professor Ian McKinnes Dr Elizabeth Murphy Ann Murray
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	<p>Professor Stuart Ralston Dr Ruth Richmond Dr Stefan Siebert Anne Simpson – secretariat</p>
Organisations	<p>Arthritis Care Scotland Arthritis Research UK Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Alliance UK ASH Scotland Association of British Pharmaceutical Industry Scotland British Rheumatology Society Community Pharmacy Scotland Chartered Society of Physiotherapists Scotland Glasgow Caledonian University/Rehabilitation/Musculoskeletal Health College of Occupational Therapy Rheumatology Special Interest Group INTLIFE Lupus UK Strathclyde Branch-Lupus UK Medac-UK National Ankylosing Spondylitis Society National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society National Osteoporosis Society Novartis Non- Celgene Pfizer Polymyalgia Rheumatic/Giant Cell Arteritis Scotland Queen Margaret University , Edinburgh/Nursing Division Roche Scottish Network for Arthritis in Children Scottish Paediatric and Adolescent Rheumatology Network Scottish Society of Rheumatology</p>

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	Brian Whittle MSP
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Deputy Convener	Rhoda Grant MSP
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Secretary	Anne Simpson(voluntary)
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Treasurer	Not applicable
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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). No more than £350

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

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

Not applicable

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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