

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN Oct 2017

<b>NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP</b>
Cross-Party Group on Cuba
<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.)
September 2016
<b>DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM</b>
27 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
<b>DATE OF PRECEDING AGM</b> [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 12 months of the previous AGM]
n/a
<b>DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED</b>
26 October 2017
<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.
<b>21st Sep 2016</b> Re-registration meeting to officially re-establish the CPG. Office Bearers elected and attended were Convener - Elaine Smith MSP Deputy Convener - Sandra White MSP Deputy Convener - Neil Findlay MSP Secretary - Kath Campbell

**1<sup>st</sup> March 2017**

Meeting with standard agenda points to discuss issues in Cuba, the Cuba Solidarity Campaign and wider issues in Latin America. Presentations by: Rev Graeme McGeoch and Cuba conservation Trust

Motion of condolence was noted on the loss of Fidel Castro

MSP's in attendance Elaine Smith, Neil Findlay

12 others in attendance

**28<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

Meeting with standard agenda points to discuss issues in Cuba, the Cuba Solidarity Campaign and wider issues in Latin America. Speakers: Frieda Park on Venezuela Solidarity Campaign and Cuban Visitor Dr Carlos Alzugaray Treto

MSP's in attendance Elaine Smith, Sandra White, Neil Finlay

18 others in attendance

**27<sup>th</sup> September AGM**

Meeting and AGM. Office bearers elected. Discussion on upcoming Cuban events.

MSP's in attendance Elaine Smith, Neil Findlay, Sandra White,

1 other in attendance

**MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

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

Elaine Smith - Labour

Sandra White - SNP

Neil Findlay - Labour

Murdo Fraser - Conservative

Colin Beattie - SNP

John Finnie - Green

**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

Liz Elkind

Vince Mills

Pauline Bryan

Stuart Hyslop

	Neil Anderson
	Pauline Boyle
	Kevin Carroll
	Peter Clifford
	Kath Bateman
	Tommy Kane
	Dougie Kerr
	John McAllion
	Simon McFarlane
	Valentina Montoya Martinez
	Ronnie Moran
	Cllr Gordon Munro
	Dot Sharkey
	Arthur West
	Ian Parsons
	Elsbeth Parsons
	Margaret McGregor
	Frieda Park
	Gerry Corbett
	Pamela Holmes
	Dr Joan Cutting
	Marlyn Glen
	Ray Newton
	Adrienne Chalmers
	Jan Pietrasik
	Colin McCulloch
	Graham McGeoch
	Richard Le Sueur
	Paul Harding
	John Quinn
	Margaret Cameron
	Charlotte Kedslie
	Geraldine Rooney
	Craig Munro
	Sean Smith

	Alan Hobbett Antonio Aguila Avril Vera Leon Craig Munro David Sharpe Geraldine Rooney Jenny James Murray Swan
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Organisations	Scottish Cuba Solidarity Scottish medical aid for Cuba Scottish Venezuela Solidarity STUC
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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.

Convener	Elaine Smith MSP
Deputy Convener	Sandra Whyte MSP, Neil Findlay MSP
Secretary	Scottish Cuba Solidarity
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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