

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

<b>NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP</b>
Cross-Party Group on Rail
<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.)
25 <sup>th</sup> October 2016
<b>DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM</b>
31 <sup>st</sup> October 2017
<b>DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED</b>
27 November 2017
<b>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]</b>
NA
<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.
25 <sup>th</sup> October 2016 – Attendance: 4 MSPs, 18 Non-MSPs Meeting for the reestablishment of the CPG on Rail. The meeting had a presentation from Phil Verster, then head of Scotrail Alliance, and had a chance to ask follow-up questions.

10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – Attendance: 3 MSPs, 12 Non-MSPs

This meeting received a presentation from Glasgow Airport about the proposed Glasgow Airport Access Project between the Airport and Glasgow itself. This was followed by a chance for the CPG to ask questions.

31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 – Attendance: 4 MSPs, 23 Non-MSPs

AGM of the CPG. Alongside this the group heard from the Minister for Transport and the Islands, Humza Yousaf, and had a chance to ask questions following this. Provisional dates for the next 5 meetings of the CPG were approved at this meeting.

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

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

John Mason (SNP),  
John Finnie (Green),  
David Stewart (Labour),  
Neil Bibby (Labour),  
Jackie Baillie (Labour),  
Pauline McNeill (Labour),  
Oliver Mundell (Conservative),  
Emma Harper (SNP),  
Joan McAlpine (SNP),  
Lewis MacDonald (Labour),  
Mark Ruskell (Green),  
Alexander Stewart (Conservative)

### **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 Arden Daniel Giblin
Organisations	<p>Railfuture Scotland  West Coast Rail 250  SWestrans  Transport Focus  Light Rail UK  Capital Rail Action Group  Pagoda  Aslef  Pollokshields Community Council  Transform Scotland  Tacturn  RailQwest  Campaign for Borders Rail  West Coast Rail 250  Tram-Forward  StARLink Campaign  Newburgh Train Station Group  LRTA Tram-Forward group  ScotRail Alliance  Levenmouth Rail Campaign  Rail Action Group, East of Scotland  The Highlands and Islands Transport Partnership (HITRANS)  NESTRANS  The Friends of the Far North Line  St Andrews Rail Link Campaign  Grayling  Network Rail  Montrose Port Authority  Rix Shipping Scotland  Allan Rail</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.

Co-Convener	John Mason MSP
Co-Convener	Pauline McNeill MSP
Secretary	Scotrail Alliance
Treasurer	NA

## 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).

Over the following year ScotRail alliance have agreed to provide secretarial support and light catering. Cost of support is estimated to be below the limit.

**SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP**

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

NA

**CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

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