

Cross-Party Group on Credit Unions

Minutes of the AGM held at 3.30pm, in the Scottish Parliament, on 30th October 2018.

Present

Ruth Maguire MSP
Claudia Beamish MSP
Tom Mason MSP
Clare Adamson MSP
Karen Hurst; Association of British Credit Unions Ltd

Apologies

James Kelly MSP
Andy Wightman MSP
Johann Lamont MSP

Karen Hurst introduced herself to the meeting and apologies were noted by the above.

The was an election of officers, with those present electing:

Ruth Maguire: Convenor
Claudia Beamish: Deputy Convenor
Association of British Credit Unions Ltd: Secretariat

Karen Hurst, on behalf of the secretariat, gave an overview of the three meetings the group has had since last year's AGM.

There was also an update on membership. Since last year's AGM 2 members of the group - Alison Harris and Ben McPherson – had left, and Tom Mason had joined. The group continued to have a sufficient number of MSPs, and 4 parties were represented on it.

The group discussed some of the options for meetings next year, with employer partners and fintech being favoured options.

There was also a short update on the priorities for the sector over the next year.

It was noted that the Standard Committee had produced a report on Cross Party Group and, although the CPG on Credit Unions was fully compliant, it was noted that it only had one non-MSP member. It was agreed that we should seek greater credit union membership.

There was no other business and the meeting was brought to a close.