

**CROSS PARTY GROUP ON TOBACCO AND HEALTH**

**MINUTE OF MEETING THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2014,**

**12.45PM TO 2.15PM, ROOM TG20.21, AT THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT**

**PRESENT**

Willie Rennie MSP	Convener
Dr Richard Simpson MSP	Deputy Convener
Professor Amanda Amos	University of Edinburgh – invited speaker
Siobhan Mackay	The Scottish Government – invited guest
Mo Hussain	Guest of the Convener
Aileen Bryson	Royal Pharmaceutical Society
Suzanne Cameron-Nielson	Royal Pharmaceutical Society
James Cant	British Lung Foundation Scotland and NI
Karen Clough	Asthma UK
Ruaraidh Dobson	British Lung Foundation Scotland and NI
Mark Feeney	Community Pharmacy Scotland
Celia Gardiner	NHS Health Scotland
Karen Gray	Glasgow City CHP
Angela MacLeod	The Stroke Association
Rebecca Middlemiss	Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland
Crawford Moodie	University of Stirling
Roslynn Newman	Children in Scotland
Lindsay Paterson	Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
Erin Robertson	British Medical Association Scotland
Sheila Duffy	ASH Scotland
John Watson	ASH Scotland
Mike Andrews	ASH Scotland
Valerie Smith	ASH Scotland

**Apologies**

Brian Auld	REHIS
Kate Barlow	NHS Health Scotland
Marjory Burns	British Heart Foundation Scotland
Sara Collier	Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
Geoff Earl	Individual member
Hamid Gazem	South Ayrshire Council Trading Standards Service
Linda McLeod	Breathe Easy Clackmannanshire
David McColgan	British Heart Foundation Scotland
Gregor McNie	Cancer Research UK
Dr Alan Rodger	Individual Member
Diane Thomson	Pfizer UK Ltd

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<p><b>1.</b></p>	<p><b>Welcome and apologies</b></p> <p>WillieRennie MSP opened the meeting and thanked everyone for coming.</p> <p>He welcomed Amanda Amos, Professor of Health Promotion in the Centre for Population Health Studies at The University of Edinburgh, to the meeting. Professor Amos had kindly agreed to come along to speak under item 3, on what works in preventing young people from taking up smoking.</p> <p>Siobhan Mackay from The Scottish Government was also attending the meeting.</p> <p>A new member had joined the Cross Party Group, The Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland and Rebecca Middlemiss was representing the organisation.</p> <p>There were also some new faces to the Group, namely Karen Clough from Asthma UK, Roslynn Newman from Children in Scotland and Mike Andrews, ASH Scotland.</p> <p>11 apologies had been received, as detailed above.</p>	
<p><b>2.</b></p>	<p><b>Minutes of Meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> February 2014</b></p> <p><b>(a) Approval of Minutes</b></p> <p>The minutes were approved as correct.</p> <p><b>(b) Any matters arising</b></p> <p>The meeting in February 2014 featured discussion with members of the Youth Commission on Smoking Prevention. John Watson advised the Commission had now produced a set of recommendations and these will be presented to the Minister for Public Health at a meeting in November.</p> <p>Also at the February meeting, it was noted that the CAP and BCAP consultation on e-cigarettes advertising had been launched, with a closing date of 28<sup>th</sup> April 2014. Sheila Duffy advised that new rules for the marketing of e-cigarettes were published today and will be updated in 12 months’ time. See CAP and BCAP’s Joint Regulatory Statement. ASA October 2014.</p> <p>Media release:  <a href="http://cap.org.uk/News-reports/Media-Centre/2014/New-ecig-ad-rules.aspx#.VDZgbmddUUC">http://cap.org.uk/News-reports/Media-Centre/2014/New-ecig-ad-rules.aspx#.VDZgbmddUUC</a></p> <p>Regulatory statement:  <a href="http://cap.org.uk/News-reports/Media-Centre/2014/~media/Files/CAP/Consultations/ecig%20consultation/Regulatory%20Statement.ashx">http://cap.org.uk/News-reports/Media-Centre/2014/~media/Files/CAP/Consultations/ecig%20consultation/Regulatory%20Statement.ashx</a></p> <p>The rules are designed to rule out advertising that is likely to appeal in particular to under 18s and encourage non-smokers or non-nicotine users to use e-cigarettes. However they do not prohibit free samples or celebrity endorsement.</p>	

3.	<p><b>Discussion Topic: What Works in Youth Prevention</b></p> <p>Professor Amanda Amos gave a presentation on what does and does not work in youth smoking prevention.</p> <p>A lively discussion followed.</p>	
4.	<p><b>Forthcoming Meetings and Topics</b></p> <p>The next meeting will take place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014, 12.45pm to 2.15pm, at The Scottish Parliament.</p> <p>This meeting will incorporate the Annual General Meeting of the Group.</p> <p>Those who are currently Officers for the Group will be contacted in advance to check if they are willing to continue. Richard Simpson MSP confirmed he was willing to continue in office as Vice Convener,</p> <p>All Group members will receive a formal invitation to the AGM and have the chance to volunteer themselves for greater involvement. A copy of the Annual Return to the Parliament, which lists the Group's activities and finances over the year, will be circulated.</p> <p>John Watson drew the Group's attention to the consultation just published by The Scottish Government, to inform legislation planned for next year. The consultation runs to 2 Jan 2015. One area it is seeking views on is age restrictions on the purchase and sale of e-cigarettes and proxy purchase, plus a suggestion to include e-cigarette retailers on the tobacco retail register. John suggested this be a topic for discussion at the meeting in November. The Group agreed.</p>	JW
5	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>John Watson circulated a paper to the Group, detailing a proposal by ASH Scotland for a Charter for a Smoke-Free Generation. It is important to ensure that the targets detailed in the Scottish Government's National Tobacco Strategy are achievable and developing a children's charter for organisations to sign up to would help to do this. Any comments should be fed back to John.</p> <p>Richard Simpson MSP encouraged attendees to submit responses to the Commission, set up post independence referendum to decide which additional powers Scotland should have, headed up by Lord Smith of Kelvin.</p>	ALL  ALL