

Minutes of Animal Welfare CPG

Meeting to re-establish the group

Friday 9 July 2021

Attendees-

Marie McNair MSP SNP
Maggie Chapman MSP Green Party
Emma Harper MSP SNP
Colin Smyth MSP Labour Party
Meghan Gallacher MSP Conservative & Unionist Party
Siobhian Brown MSP SNP

Madison Rogers Cats Protection
Maddie Hartley Naturewatch foundation
Cathy Dwyer Jeanne Marchig International Centre for Animal Welfare Education
Nigel Miller
Dr Elizabeth Ormerod The Society for Companion Animal Studies (SCAS)
Vanessa Amoroso World Animal Protection
Kirsty Jenkins, OneKind
Rebecca Knowles, Farmers For Stock-Free Farming
Sam, Farmers for Stock-Free Farming
Edna Elliot-McColl
Tricia Collville BSAVA
Mike Flynn SSPCA
Claire Wilson-Leary Dogs Trust
Andrew Fry, Scottish Salmon Producers Organisation (SSPO).
Morgan Brobyn, BEIC
William Pickworth
Ben Parker Battersea
Helene Mauchlen British Horse Society
Lindsay Fyffe-Jardine, EDCH
Aimy Saunders Blue Cross
Becky Thwaites Blue Cross
Sean Wensley, PDSA

Apologies –

Ross Ewing The British Association for Shooting and Conservation
Alice Palombo Cats Protection
Lesley Winton Fostering Compassion

Sarah Carr Naturewatch Foundation
Dr Adam Reed, Reader in Social Anthropology
Diane Bain Rabbit Welfare
Seonaig Johnston
Dick Morrison, Bowerswell Cavaliers
Rona Mackay MSP
Sarak Affleck Dogs Trust
Jaquie Cuff, Cats Advocacy
Jack Johnston, Dogs Trust
Vicki Betton PDSA
Jennifer Terris Dogs Trust
Anna Wade Dogs Trust
Michael Park APHA
Laura Butcher Scottish Land & Estates
Sarah Dolman Whale & Dolphin Conservation
Nicola Gunn, EDCH

Christine explained –

The purpose of the group is to provide a forum for opinion and information sharing about animal welfare; to raise awareness of the importance of animal welfare; where consensus is reached to make proposals to introduce or amend legislation concerning animal welfare and provide information for possible parliamentary questions and motions.

This purpose is of public interest as it represents a broad spectrum of views on issues surrounding the complex subject of animal welfare. It provides a forum for these viewpoints to come together and seek consensus and discuss issues

Convenor – Christine Grahame MSP Nominated by Emma Harper MSP, seconded by Maggie Chapman MSP

Vice Convenor – Colin Smyth MSP nominated by Christine Grahame MSP, seconded by Maggie Chapman MSP

Vice Convenor – Maggie Chapman MSP nominated By Christine Grahame agreed by all

Vice Convenor – Meghan Gallacher MSP Nominated by Christine Grahame agreed by all

Secretary – Karen Coe nominated by Christine Grahame seconded by Maggie Chapman

Proposal for first meeting is to invite an official from government to explain the Animal Welfare Programme for Government and for the group to decide where we want on the agenda for the next five years.

First meeting of the Animal Welfare CPG will take place in September, date to be agreed.