

# Minutes of the Cross-Party Group on Aviation

Date: 29 September 2021

12:30 – 13:30

Venue: Virtual Meeting – MS Teams / Join by phone

## MSPs attendees

Paul McLellan MSP  
Graham Simpson MSP  
Beatrice Wishart MSP  
Sharon Dowey MSP  
Duncan McNeill MSP  
Brian Whittle MSP  
Rhoda Grant – MSP

## Non-MSPs attendees:

Konrad Zadecki – ADS Scotland  
Henk van Klaveren – AOA  
Alan Campbell - IAG  
Luke Petherbridge – ABTA  
Caroline Donaldson – Barrhead Travel  
Roddie MacPhee – ABTA Scotland  
Janice Hogarth – SPAA  
Sheena McKenzie – University of Strathclyde  
Christopher McLean – Aerospace Innovation Centre  
Lara Zaroni – Astro Agency  
Sean McGovern – Newton Aerospace Management  
Gordon Bingham – Global Trek Aviation  
Julie Cromarty – Hitrans  
Gavin Davey  
Alex Fuller  
Josh Hill – Parliamentary Researcher

## Agenda Item 1 – Welcome

Paul McLellan MSP welcomed everybody to the virtual Cross-Party Group on Aviation meeting of the newly reformed group.

## Agenda Item 2 – Election of Office Bearers : Conveners and Secretariat

It was agreed that Paul McLellan and Graham Simpson would act as Co-conveners of the group and given the need for the focus of the group to be centred on Aviation moving forwards that Janice Hogarth from the SPAA be appointed as the Secretariat for the group.

## Agenda Item 3 – Key Issues for Discussion

General discussion amongst those present centred on the need to look at the recovery of the aviation and travel sector and how that could be best achieved and it was suggested and agreed that a presentation should be made by Janice Hogarth at the next meeting from the perspective of the travel community including travel agents and tour operators.

The other main topic that would need to be discussed would be around sustainability with a view to the industry building back better and Henk Van Klaveren from the Airport Operators Association proposed that he would present to the group the latest paper that they were producing on decarbonisation.

## Agenda Item 4 – AOCB

Konrad Zadecki was thanked for his contribution to the group as secretariat.

## Agenda Item 5 – Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting would be arranged for November and details would be advised.