Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Commercial Sexual Exploitation

Date Group Established (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.)

8th September 2021

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

7th September 2022

Date Annual Return Submitted

17th October 2022

Date of Preceding AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11 to 13 months of the previous AGM]

This is the first AGM of the group. The inaugural meeting took place on the 8th September 2021.

Group Meetings and Activities

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.

Meeting No.1: 8th September 2021

MSPs present: 4

Non-MSPs present: 23

Main Subjects discussed:

- Election of office bearers: Rhoda Grant MSP was voted as convener. Ruth Maguire MSP (previous co-convener) was off sick, and it was proposed that Rhoda would convene solely until Ruth returned. Jacci Stoyle was voted as secretariat.
- The launch of the CPG's campaign organisation, A Modail airson Alba (A Model for Scotland) was presented by its Chair, Diane Martin.
- Kat Banyard gave an overview of A Model for Scotland's campaign strategy

Meeting No.2: 24th November 2021

MSPs present: 3

Non-MSPs present: 18

Main Subjects discussed:

- Considering a range of campaign strategies
- Manjulika Singh presented Interviews for Radio
- Jo Bartosch presented Interviews for Journalists and Newspapers
- Sasha Rakoff presented Interviews for Media, Press, TV and Radio
- Susan Lochrie presented Interviews for a local Newspaper

Meeting No.3: 16th March 2022

MSPs present: 5

Non-MSPs present: 17

Main Subjects discussed:

- Ruth Maguire was welcomed back from sick leave and resumed her role as co-convener
- Update on the recent parliamentary debate on the CPG's Inquiry into Online Pimping websites
- Presentation of OUTSIDE by the Women's Support Project (WSP) on what is needed to successfully exit prostitution
- Jacci Stoyle asked members if they wanted her to pitch for the CPG to get a place in the Festival of Politics

Meeting No.4: 1st June 2022

MSPs present: 3

Non-MSPs present: 15

Main Subjects discussed:

- Update on the recent parliamentary debate introduced by Bill Kidd MSP on Making Scotland Hostile to Traffickers and a Safe Place for Ukrainian Refugees
- Nordic Model Now (NMN) presenting *Grooming for the Sex Industry*
- NMN presenting the Leicester University Student Sex Worker Policy and Toolkit
- Emily's story of first-hand experience of prostitution as a student
- NMN presentation of their own handbook, created to challenge the Leicester version

Presenting our CPG event: *The Buyers and The Sellers -the Hidden Voices of Prostitution* at the Festival of Politics on the 11th of August 2022.

No. of MSPs taking part: 1 No. of Non-MSPs taking part: 9

Main Subjects discussed:

- Ruth Maguire MSP chaired the event
- Six non-MSP members took part in a dramatized reading of the authentic voices of prostitution, excerpts from survivor testimonies and from punter review websites
- Three non-MSP speakers presented their views on the lived reality of prostitution

MSP Members of The Group

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

Ruth Maguire SNP MSP

Rhoda Grant Scottish Labour MSP

Elena Whitham SNP MSP

John Mason SNP MSP

Jeremy Balfour Scottish Conservative MSP

Katy Clark Scottish Labour MSP

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.

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Agnes Martony

Anne Martin

Beverley Johnston

Bryan Little

Christine Cosh

Elaine Smith

Emily St. Denny

Gunilla Ekberg

Jacci Stoyle

Janet Warren

Kate Fry

Louise Johnson

Lynn Benevento

Marlyn Glen

Sheena Smith

Siobhan Jess

Steve Rawbone

Teresa Little

Organisations

A Model for Scotland

CARE for Scotland

Community Safety Glasgow (TARA)

Community Safety Glasgow (Routes Out)

COSLA

Edinburgh Women's Aid

Evangelical Alliance

Filia

Glasgow VAW Partnership

Men at Work C.I.C.

Migrant Women Network

MurrayBlackburnMackenzie

NHS Lanarkshire

NHS Lothian

no@notbuyingit

Nordic Model Now

Not for Sale in Scotland

People Serving Girls at Risk

Religious Sisters of Charity

Salvation Army

Say-Women

Scottish Women's Convention

Soroptimist (Scotland North Region)

SOHTIS

UK Feminista

Women's Aid (South Lanarkshire)

Women's Support Project

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	Ruth Maguire SNP MSP
Co-Convener	Rhoda Grant Scottish Labour MSP
Secretary	Jacci Stoyle
Treasurer	N/A

Financial Benefits or Other Benefits

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving 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.

None

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