

Cross-Party Group on Islands Annual General Meeting

05 February 2024 – 13:00 – Online via Teams

Meeting Minute

Present

MSPs

Jamie Halcro Johnston MSP
Liam McArthur MSP
Graham Simpson MSP
Rhoda Grant MSP
Alasdair Allan MSP
Donald Cameron MSP
Beatrice Wishart MSP
Katy Clark MSP

Non-MSP Group Members

Artemis Pana, Secretariat
Kirsty MacColl, Secretariat
Elizabeth Taggart, Scottish Islands Federation
Sheila Gilmore, Visit Arran
Paula Duffy, University of Aberdeen
Rob Black, Isle of Luing Community Trust
Bryony Nelson, SRUC
Jamie Patterson, Scottish Parliament

Apologies

Arianne Burgess MSP
Fiona Davies, Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP)
Ruth Wilson, James Hutton Institute
Kirsty MacFarlane, Coll Community Council
Laura Hutton, EMECT
Pippa Milne, Argyll & Bute Council

Welcome

Jamie Halcro Johnston MSP welcomed attendees to the 4th meeting of the CPG on Islands which is the Group's Annual General Meeting.

Minutes

The minutes of the 3rd meeting were agreed by Jamie Halcro Johnston MSP and seconded by Rhoda Grant MSP.

Selection of Convenor and Deputy Convenor(s)

Jamie Halcro Johnston MSP was appointed Convenor. Nominated by Rhoda Grant MSP and seconded by Katy Clark MSP.

Beatrice Wishart MSP (nominated by Jamie Halcro Johnston MSP/seconded by Graham Simpson MSP) and **Alastair Allan MSP** (nominated by Liam McArthur MSP/seconded by Donald Cameron MSP) were appointed Deputy Convenors.

Membership of the group for the purpose of producing the AGM report, was confirmed as:

Jamie Halcro Johnston MSP
Beatrice Wishart MSP
Alastair Allan MSP
Rhoda Grant MSP
Ariane Burgess MSP
Liam McArthur MSP
Edward Mountain MSP
Donald Cameron MSP
Finlay Carson MSP

Selection of Secretariat

Jamie Halcro Johnson MSP nominated **Scottish Rural Action** and the **Scottish Islands Federation** as Co-Secretariat for the Cross-Party Group on Islands, seconded by Liam McArthur MSP.

AOCB

Jamie Halcro Johnson MSP highlighted that the next CPG meeting, taking place on Wednesday 28th February will focus on the National Islands Plan.

Alastair Allan MSP requested the Secretariat circulates a list of organisations that are usually informed of CPG meetings to start mapping any gaps in how we promote them.

Date of next meeting

Wednesday 28th February, 13.00 by Teams

Meeting Concludes 13.30pm

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