

Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on **Men's Violence against Women and Children**

Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics

1. Please state the purpose of the Group.

To establish a forum for discussion and innovative thinking on men's violence against women and children, with a focus on prevention, protection, provision and participation, including, but not limited to, all the forms of violence and exploitation encompassed in "Equally Safe - Scotland's strategy for preventing and eradicating violence against women and girls."

2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.

The purpose is in the public interest as Violence against Women and Girls is the biggest violation of human rights in Scotland, and creating policy and practice that improve Scotland's response is of the highest public interest.

Our agreed, specific programme includes the following actions:

- Monitor, advise on and promote good practice and evidence-based responses.
- Promote the rights of women, children and young people experiencing men's violence and ensure that their experience and views inform the political process.
- Promote policy and practice that hold men to account for their violence against women, children and young people.
- Link women, children and young people's experience of violence against women to the wider context of gender equality and women's inequality.

3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.

We are not aware of overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups.

4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

Meetings held in the previous Session have had a thematic approach on each occasion.

The theme of the next meeting of the group is due to be the policy landscape and areas or upcoming developments in that respect, which would be of particular interest to Group members.

Topics of further meetings for the forthcoming 12 months would be scoped out at the next meeting, responding to interests and concerns of the Group members.

MSP Members of the Group

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

Claire Baker, Scottish Labour

Katy Clark, Scottish Labour

Natalie Don, Scottish National Party

James Dornan, Scottish National Party

Sharon Dowey, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

Rhoda Grant, Scottish Labour

Rona Mackay, Scottish National Party

Tess White, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

Elena Whitham, Scottish National Party

Beatrice Wishart, Scottish Liberal Democrats

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.

Individuals	Gillian Baker Nikki Dillon George Eckton Christine Gray Lily Greenan Kelly Johnson Nancy Lombard Stephen Madill Kallia Manoussaki Dr Melanie McCarry David Morran Katy Proctor Richard Whitecross
Organisations	Amina Muslim Women Resource Centre ASSIST Caledonian System Church of Scotland City of Edinburgh Council, Community Justice Clinical Psychology Division of the Forensic Mental Health and Learning Disability Service of Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS Close the Gap COSLA Edinburgh Women's Aid

	<p>The Empower Project Scotland</p> <p>Engender</p> <p>Girlguiding Scotland</p> <p>NHS Lanarkshire – EVA Services</p> <p>NUS Scotland</p> <p>Pilton Community Health Project</p> <p>Rape Crisis Scotland</p> <p>Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre Perth & Kinross</p> <p>Scottish Association of Social Workers</p> <p>Scottish Women’s Aid</p> <p>SAY Women</p> <p>Thriving Survivors</p> <p>White Ribbon Scotland</p> <p>Women’s Support Project</p> <p>YWCA Scotland</p> <p>Zero Tolerance</p>
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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.

Convener	Rona Mackay, MSP
Deputy Convener	Elena Whitham MSP
Secretary	Scottish Women’s Aid
Treasurer	

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.

Scottish Women's Aid provides secretariat support to the Group (e.g. preparing and distributing meeting papers, liaison with members and invited speakers, taking minutes at the meeting etc.). The cost to the organisation, for an estimated 45 hours over the year, is assessed to be around £750.

Total value of financial and material benefit provided by Scottish Women's Aid is, therefore, assessed to be £750.

Subscription Charged by the Group

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

No subscription is charged by the Group.

Convener Contact Details

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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on <SUBJECT> is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed	Rona Mackay
Date	22.10.21