Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Poverty

Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics

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

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

The Cross Party Group on Poverty aims to act as a forum for exploring the drivers of and solutions to poverty in Scotland. It will act to connect MSPs with organisations working to tackle poverty, as well as with people living on low incomes across Scotland, in order to better inform anti-poverty policy-making and contribute to the ending of poverty in Scotland.

We intend to look at what drives poverty for people in key areas – rurality, race, single parent families and disability. We are also keen to explore how we can gain greater consensus on the need to tackle poverty, amongst a range of other areas of interest.

We do not consider the remit overlaps with any other existing Group

We do not believe there has been a CPG on Poverty before and believe it is in the public interest for MSPs of all parties alongside expert stakeholders to work together to tackle poverty in Scotland.

MSP Members of the Group

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

Neil Gray MSP (SNP),

Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP (Lab),

Jeremy Balfour MSP (Con),

Beatrice Wishart MSP (Lib),

Natalie Don MSP (SNP),

Bob Doris MSP (SNP),

Rhoda Grant MSP (Lab),

Emma Roddick MSP (SNP),

Miles Briggs MSP (Con),

Collette Stevenson MSP (SNP),

Monica Lennon MSP (Lab),

Alex Rowley MSP (Lab).

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	Janice Connelly
Organisations	The Pyramid at Anderston
	СНАР
	Poverty and Inequality Commission
	Glasgow Disability Alliance
	Friends CIC
	Age Scotland
	The Wise Group
	Joseph Rowntree Foundation
	Parenting Across Scotland
	Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance (SIAA)
	Community Transport Association
	SURF - Scotland's Regeneration Forum
	Scottish Federation of Housing Associations (SFHA)
	Scottish Pensioners Forum
	Newton Primary School
	Save the Children
	Bridgeton CAB
	Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health

Dundee Poirne
Dundee Bairns
Xaverians UK
EBI Unites
Oxfam Scotland
Diabetes Scotland
FARE Scotland
Ferguslie Community Development Trust
Bute Advice Centre
Dalkeith CAB
Women's Enterprise Scotland
Barnardos Scotland
Funeral Link
Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home
Scottish Community Safety Network
Homeless Network Scotland
Moray Food Plus
Cranhill Development Trust
Includem
The Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland
Shelter Scotland
NASUWT
Crisis
Health and Social Care Alliance
Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG) in Scotland
Welfare Scotland
Close the Gap
Mayfield & Easthouse Development Trust
Scottish Poverty and Inequality Research Unit
David Hume Institute
Scottish Womens Convention
Spirit Advocacy

Darkwood Crew
South Uist and Benbecula Free Church
Sikh and Punjabi Junction Social Enterprise Project
One Parent Families Scotland (OPFS)

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	Neil Gray MSP
Deputy Conveners	Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP,
	Beatrice Wishart MSP,
	Jeremy Balfour MSP
Secretary	
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.

We shall receive secretariat support from the Poverty Alliance.

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.

N/A

Convener Contact Details

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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct

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

Signed	Neil Gray MSP
Date	3.12.21