

Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Science and Technology

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.)

Tuesday 7th September 2021

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Wednesday 13th December 2023

Date Annual Return Submitted

Wednesday 10th January 2024

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]

Tuesday 13th December 2022

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.

- 1) Visit to the National Robotarium at Heriot Watt University which included a tour of the facility and a presentation and Q&A with

CEO, Stewart Miller – Tuesday 16th May 2023 – Clare Adamson MSP

2) Scottish Parliament Meeting w/Speakers from the University of Glasgow and Kelvin Nanotechnology who discussed Scotland's supercluster of critical technologies – Tuesday 24th October 2023 – Clare Adamson MSP + Brian Whittle MSP

3) AGM to select group office bearers – Wednesday 13th December 2023 – Clare Adamson MSP + Brian Whittle MSP

MSP Members of The Group

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

Clare Adamson, SNP

Brian Whittle, Scottish Conservatives

Ivan McKee, SNP

Paul O'Kane, Scottish Labour

Finlay Carson, Scottish Conservatives

Stuart McMillan, SNP

Murdo Fraser, Scottish Conservatives

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

Mrs Kathleen Hill

Mrs Sylvia McKay

Ms Maria Mutaal

Ms Beth Myles-Geddes

Ms Kaitlyn Louth

Ms Mridula Chakraborty

Dr Allan Colquhoun

Dr Fiona McNeill

Dr Kitty Meeks

Professor Verena Rieser

Mr Albert Kin

Mr Tim Hurst

Mr Jack McGleish

Professor Derek Stewart

Professor Zoe Shipton

Professor William Sloan

Professor David Cole-Hamilton

Dr William Duncan

Organisations

- Associate for Science Education
- Dress Code
- Edinburgh International Science Festival
- Edinburgh Mathematical Society
- Equate Scotland
- Food Standards Scotland
- Fraunhofer UK
- Information Commissioner’s Office
- Institute of Physics
- James Hutton Institute
- Leonardo
- Microbiology Society
- Parliamentary Science and Technology Information Foundation
- Physiological Society
- Primary Science Teaching Trust
- Prosper
- Skills Development Scotland
- ScotlandDIS
- Scottish Carbon Capture and Storage
- Scottish Funding Council
- SSERC
- Strathclyde University
- Technology Teachers Association
- The Data Lab
- The Geological Society
- The National Robotarium
- The Physiological Society
- The Royal Society of Biology
- The Royal Society of Edinburgh
- The Royal Society of Chemistry
- Townrock Energy
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Glasgow
- University of the West of Scotland
- Usher Institute
- Wave Energy Scotland
- Young Academy of Scotland

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	Clare Adamson	
Deputy Convener	Brian Whittle	
Secretary	The Royal Society of Edinburgh	
Treasurer	N/A	
Financial Benefits or Other Benefits		
<p>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.</p>		
N/A		
TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CONVENER		
COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 6 OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT		
(Please tick all boxes that apply)		
I, Convener of the Cross-Party Group on 10 January 2024, hereby declare that, in line with the requirements of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct, this CPG has:		
5 MSP Members from 3 different political parties		X
Held at least 2 quorate meetings in the last 12 months		X
Held an AGM within 11-13months of the date of registration or the last AGM		X
Submitted an annual return form within 30 calendar days of the AGM		X

Provided Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings	X
Provided minutes of all meetings	X
Signed	<i>Clare Adamsen</i>
Date	10 January 2024