

Cross-Party Group Registration Form

Name of Cross-Party Group
Cross-Party Group on Sustainable Transport
Purpose of The Group and Proposed Discussion Topics <ol style="list-style-type: none">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.4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.
<p>1.To raise the profile of sustainable transport, with a particular focus on cross-modal issues, within the Scottish Parliament, and to promote policies and priorities relating to sustainable transport.</p> <p>2. Transport is one of the most high-profile areas of public policy. It also forms a major component of Scottish Government expenditure. 'Sustainable Transport' is a long-established term in transport policy discussions, referring to the application of sustainable development principles to transport. This is an area of significant public policy concern, not least as transport makes up the single largest component of Scotland's climate change emissions.</p> <p>This CPG has been put in place to continue the work of the Session 5 CPG on Cycling, Walking & Buses and the Session 5 CPG on Rail. Walking, cycling, buses and railways are modes of transport that are promoted as part of sustainable transport, and so this new CPG will provide continuity from transport discussions held in these CPGs during Session 5 of the Parliament.</p>

3. The Group does not consider there to be any overlaps with any existing Cross-Party Groups.

4. The CPG will:

- Conduct significant pieces of work with demonstrable impact.
- Develop an outline five-year work programme. This would include agreement on expected outputs from the group's work (e.g. the preparation of a report akin to those prepared by the Parliament's Committees).
- Concentrate on scrutinising the Scottish Government's 20% traffic reduction target, as introduced in its Climate Change Plan update of December 2020. This would be the focus in year 1 and potentially into year 2.

During the first year the group will focus on the following topics:

- traffic reduction policy, generally
- traffic demand management
- modal shift: walk, cycle, bus, rail
- freight & logistics

MSP Members of the Group

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

Graham Simpson MSP

Sarah Boyack MSP

Liam Kerr MSP

John Mason MSP

Mark Ruskell MSP

Brian Whittle 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.

Individuals	N/A
Organisations	<p>CalMac</p> <p>Capital Rail Action Group</p> <p>CPT Scotland</p> <p>Cycle Law Scotland</p> <p>Cycling Scotland</p> <p>Cycling UK in Scotland</p> <p>Edinburgh Bus Action Group</p> <p>Friends of the Far North Line</p> <p>GoBike</p> <p>Grand Union Trains</p> <p>Hitrans</p> <p>Levenmouth Rail Campaign</p> <p>Light Rail Transit Association</p> <p>LNER</p> <p>Midlothian Disability Access Panel</p> <p>Network Rail Scotland</p> <p>Paths for All</p> <p>Pedal on Parliament</p> <p>Rail Action Group, East of Scotland</p> <p>Railfuture</p> <p>Ramblers Scotland</p> <p>Scottish Association for Public Transport</p> <p>Spokes</p> <p>Stagecoach</p> <p>Transform Scotland</p> <p>Women's Cycle Forum Scotland</p>

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	Graham Simpson MSP
Deputy Convener	Sarah Boyack MSP John Mason MSP Mark Ruskell MSP
Secretary	Transform Scotland
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.

N/A

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

Name	Graham Simpson MSP
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Statement on Compliance with The Code Of Conduct

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

Signed	<i>Graham Simpson MSP</i>
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Date	08/12/2021
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