

Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group WASPI

Cross-Party Group on Women Against State Pension Injustice

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.)

18 January 2017

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

13 September 2023

Date Annual Return Submitted

15 September 2023

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]

17 August 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.

30 Nov 22 – 3 MSPs, 11 WASPIS. Discussed PHSO, APPG, Energy costs, various events across Scotland with campaign updates from all groups, Council WASPI motions.

17 January 23 – 4 MSPs, 19 WASPI's. Discussed WASPI council motions, International Women's day events Glasgow & Westminster, SWC event Holyrood, PHSO, APPG, Politicians challenge papers.

16 May 2023 – 2 MSPs, 22 WASPIs, Reshuffle discussed leading to change of **MSP** membership, Guest speaker on Pensions, Labour manifesto & the way forward, Manifestos in general, Campaign updates including rallies in Westminster, Aberdeen & Edinburgh, Conference attendance at NASUWT, UNISON & UNITE, WASPI 10 point MP template.

13 September 23 – 3 MSP's, 21 WASPI's. Carried out AGM business, Discussed National & regional activities & updates on recent local events. Welcomed new member SWBG who are keen to understand campaign. Details of future meetings & events were highlighted which are happening across Scotland. Conference season approaching providing opportunities in Aberdeen & Dunfermline. PHSO/APPG mentioned but nothing to report at this stage. Most in attendance agree the campaign has to maintain pressure on all parties & lobby MPs & MSPs whenever possible. Local bi election in Rutherglen/Hamilton West creating lots of publicity.

MSP Members of The Group

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

Katy Clark Labour

Siobhian Brown SNP (Resigned)

Beatrice Wishart Lib Dems

Richard Leonard Labour

Maggie Chapman Scottish Greens

Jackie Baillie Labour

Clare Haughey SNP

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	WASPI Scotland
Organisations	STUC, UNISON, CWU, Age Scotland, SWC, SPF, SWBG

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	Katy Clark
Deputy Convener	Beatrice Wishart Maggie Chapman
Secretary	Anne Potter
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.

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 <X>, 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	<input type="checkbox"/>
Held at least 2 quorate meetings in the last 12 months	<input type="checkbox"/>
Held an AGM within 11-13months of the date of registration or the last AGM	<input type="checkbox"/>
Submitted an annual return form within 30 calendar days of the AGM	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provided Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provided minutes of all meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>

Signed	
Date	