

Cross-Party Group on Arthritis & Musculoskeletal Conditions

6 pm*-7.45 pm, Wednesday 4th September 2024

Clerk Maxwell Room, Scottish Parliament (to join the meeting online: Meeting ID: 310 350 705 569 Passcode: AQYDoV)

Agenda

- Item 1: **Annual General Meeting**
Welcome and Apologies
- Item 2 **Election of Convenors**
- Item 3 **Appointment of Secretary**
- Item 4 **Annual Return**
- Item 5 **Any other competent AGM business**
Close of AGM

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- Item 1: **Ordinary Meeting Welcome and Apologies**
- Item 2: **Minutes of previous meeting**
- Item 3: **Matters Arising**
- Item 4 : **Membership request**
- Item 5: **CPG theme: Arthritis & Work**

“My foot had swollen up. It was unbelievable, if you can imagine a joint of meat that’s tied with string. It was horrible. It was really, really swollen and that was all my toes. It was my left foot. Of course, I’m a postman – my feet are my trade, basically.”

With a renewed focus by governments on economic inactivity, and the knowledge that tens of millions of working days are lost each year due to arthritis and other MSK conditions, people of working age with arthritis/MSK will be at the centre of change. This is an opportunity for CPG members to tell their own stories, share their concerns and ideas, and decide next steps, including any actions to engage the wider Parliament in the issues.

A short paper outlining the key issues has been shared with members and will provide the starting point for the discussion.

- Item 6: **Any other competent business**
- Item 7: **Dates and topics of next meetings**

Close of meeting

** for those attending in person, please be in the parliament building by 5.30pm*