

## Cross-Party Group Annual Return

### Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Beer and Pubs

### Date Group Established

7<sup>th</sup> December 2021

### Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

### Date Annual Return Submitted

10 January 2025

**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]

16<sup>th</sup> January 2023

### 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.

4<sup>th</sup> December 2023

The CPG received a presentation on the work of PubAid from Abi Owers of Nothing PR.

The CPG discussed the current position regarding the implementation of the Deposit Return Scheme.

The CPG discussed the level of responses to the Scottish Government consultation on restricting alcohol advertising and promotion.

Under Any Other Business, the framework Bill on waste reporting was highlighted and any potential impact on pubs was discussed.

In attendance:

**MSPs:**

Craig Hoy MSP, Convenor

Finlay Carson MSP

Douglas Lumsden MSP

**Non-MSPs:**

Abi Owers (PubAid/Nothing PR)

Stephen Montgomery (Scottish Hospitality Group)

Tsvetin Stefanov (Heineken)

Paul Tognieri (SBPA)

Anne Toms (BBG)

Colin Wilkinson (SLTA)

**Secretariat:** Paul Edgeworth (CAMRA), Rita King (APPBG), Katie Mackie (Office of Craig Hoy MSP), Barry Watts (SIBA)

**MSP Members of The Group**

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

Craig Hoy MSP, Convenor (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Paul Sweeney MSP, Deputy Convenor (Scottish Labour)

Neil Bibby MSP (Scottish Labour)

Miles Briggs MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP (Scottish Labour)

Fergus Ewing MSP (Scottish National Party)  
 Meghan Gallacher MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)  
 Jamie Halcro-Johnston MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)  
 Liam Kerr MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)  
 Douglas Lumsden MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)  
 Gordon MacDonald MSP (Scottish National Party)  
 Michael Marra MSP (Scottish Labour)  
 John Mason MSP (Scottish National Party)  
 Oliver Mundell MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)  
 Douglas Ross MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)  
 Graham Simpson MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)  
 Colin Smyth MSP (Scottish Labour)  
 Sue Webber MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)

**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.

<b>Individuals</b>	
<b>Organisations</b>	<p>Joint Secretariat - All-Party Parliamentary Beer Group, Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA), Society of Independent Brewers (SIBA)</p> <p>Other Stakeholders - Portman Group, Budweiser UK, Heineken, UK Hospitality, Scottish Beer and Pub Association, Punch Pubs, Molson Coors, Diageo, Bellfield Brewery, Scottish Licensed Trade Association, Greene King, Stonegate, Scottish Wholesalers, Scottish Grocers Federation, C&amp;C Group, Scottish Hospitality Group, UKHospitality</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-convener or multiple deputy conveners.

**Convener**

Craig Hoy MSP

**Deputy Convener**

Paul Sweeney 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.**

All Party Parliamentary Beer Group – £3,061.92

CAMRA - £1,506.67

SIBA - £1,506.67


**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

Held at least 2 quorate meetings in the last 12 months

Held an AGM within 11-13months of the date of registration or the last AGM	
Submitted an annual return form within 30 calendar days of the AGM	
Provided Standards Clerks with 10 calendar days' notice of all meetings	
Provided minutes of all meetings	
Signed	
Date	10/1/25