

# Cross-Party Group on Disability

Wednesday 11 December 2024 at 1pm-2.30pm on Teams only

## Agenda

### Agenda item 1

Jeremy Balfour MSP - Welcome and Introduction.

1. Apologies will be noted in the minutes.
2. Approve minutes of 2 October 2024.

### Agenda item 2

Approve new members:-

1. Individual – Sarah Reilly.
2. The ALLIANCE – Lucy Mulvagh
3. Evangelical Alliance Scotland – Chris Ringland

### Agenda item 3

Shirley-Anne Somerville MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice will answer Questions from the Group.

Please submit any questions you may have by **20<sup>th</sup> November 2024** to [julia.shillitto@parliament.scot](mailto:julia.shillitto@parliament.scot), so that we can forward to the Cabinet Secretary to allow for more full answers. You will also be able to ask questions on the day.

### Agenda item 4

**Presentation Item** : Rab Walker, Drew Walker and Liz Walker – Falling Up Together – 'The Gugging Artists'. –. “Falling UP is better than falling down - the Walker family want to change living in the face of chronic mental illnesses, through their experience & innovation of Falling UP, which is inspired by the House of Artists at Gugging, in Austria. They will give an overview of how they “promote inclusion, equality, destigmatization, arts development and advocacy for neuro-diversity through participants' cultural contribution to society.”

**Website:** [Falling Up Together | art collective](#)

**Facebook:** Falling UP Together SCIO - [Falling UP Together SCIO | Facebook](#)

Drew's PhD thesis: <https://discovery.dundee.ac.uk/en/studentTheses/the-importance-of-place>

## Agenda item 5

Any Other Business.

Date of next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 26 February 2025 at 1pm-2.30pm on Teams.