

## Cross-Party Group Annual Return

<b>Name of Cross-Party Group</b>
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<b>Cross-Party Group on Fisheries and Coastal Communities</b>
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<b>Date Group Established</b>
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6th June 2023
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<b>Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)</b>
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5th June 2024
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<b>Date Annual Return Submitted</b>
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21st June 2024
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<b>Date of Preceding AGM</b> [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]
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<b>Group Meetings and Activities</b>
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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.
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Details of any other activities, such as visits undertaken by the Group or papers/report published by the Group should also be provided.
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### **6th June 2023 (Initial meeting)**

Formation of Cross-Party Group on Fisheries and Coastal Communities. Karen Adam MSP was proposed and seconded as convener. Beatrice Wishart MSP was proposed and seconded as deputy convener.

### **20th February 2024**

Yearly agenda discussion followed by a talk by Dr Mitchell Lennan of the University of Aberdeen on understanding the regulatory context around marine spatial planning. Agreement to pursue a line of work exploring marine spatial planning further.

### **5th June 2024 (Annual General Meeting)**

Appointment of new secretariat. Re-election of office bearers. Karen Adam MSP was proposed and seconded as convener. Beatrice Wishart MSP was proposed and seconded as deputy convener. And discussion to pursue an inquiry into marine spatial planning.

### **MSP Members of The Group**

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

- Karen Adam MSP (Scottish National Party)
- Beatrice Wishart MSP (Scottish Liberal Democrats)
- Alasdair Allan MSP (Scottish National Party)
- Ariane Burgess MSP (Scottish Green Party)
- Katy Clark MSP (Scottish Labour)
- Jamie Greene MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
- Rachael Hamilton MSP (Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party)
- Audrey Nicoll MSP (Scottish National 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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alan Crockett</li> <li>• Dr Mitchell Lennan</li> </ul>
<b>Organisations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fishmongers' Company</li> <li>• Sustainable Inshore Fisheries Trust</li> <li>• Scottish Fishermen's Federation</li> <li>• Salamander Offshore Wind Farm</li> <li>• SSE Renewables</li> <li>• Peterhead Port Authority</li> <li>• Scottish Renewables</li> <li>• Communities Inshore Fisheries Trust</li> <li>• North East Scotland Fisheries Development Partnership (NESFDP)</li> <li>• Loch Long Salmon</li> </ul>
<b>Group Office Bearers</b>	
<p>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.</p>	
<b>Convener</b>	Karen Adam MSP
<b>Deputy Convener</b>	Beatrice Wishart MSP
<b>Secretary</b>	3x1
<b>Treasurer</b>	N/A
<b>Financial Benefits or Other Benefits</b>	
<p>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.</p>	

From the Initial Meeting until the Annual General Meeting, Pagoda PR have provided secretarial support to the Cross-Party Group. Pagoda PR claims to have given the equivalent of just over £4,000 of time to the Cross-Party Group. The Fishmongers' Company Fisheries Charitable Trust (SC042845) have provided a £2,000 grant to Pagoda PR to provide this secretarial support. In the coming twelvemonth period, the Cross-Party Group can expect up to £22,800 from grants from the Fishmongers' Company Fisheries Charitable Trust (SC042845) to fund secretarial support and independent research and report-drafting.

**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 Fisheries and Coastal Communities, 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** Friday 21st June 2024



