

## Cross-Party Group Annual Return

<b>Name of Cross-Party Group</b>
<b>Cross-Party Group on Men's Violence against Women and Children</b>
<b>Date Group Established</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> September 2021
<b>Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
<b>Date Annual Return Submitted</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2024
<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]
8 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
<b>Group Meetings and Activities</b>  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.

### **23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024**

**Attendance: 4 MSP, 14 non-MSP members, 0 non-member visitors**

#### **Topics discussed**

- Thematic Session: 2024 Landscape – Update, Scanning and Discussion, covering policy, the General Election and discussion of potential subjects for thematic sessions in the meetings throughout 2024.

### **23<sup>rd</sup> April 2024**

**Attendance: 2 MSP, 20 non-MSP members, 1 non-member visitor**

#### **Topics discussed**

- Update on current justice legislation.
- Member Spotlight: Engender.
- Misogyny in the Music Industry – presentation of report findings, in particular regarding sexual harassment.

### **17<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

**Attendance: 2 MSP, 13 non-MSP members, 3 non-member visitors**

#### **Topics discussed**

- Thematic Session: Prosecution of Domestic Abuse, with speakers Laura Paton, HM Chief Inspector of Prosecution in Scotland, and Dr. Emma Forbes, Procurator Fiscal for Domestic Abuse.

### **19<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**Attendance: 3 MSP; 19 non-MSP members; 0 non-member visitors**

#### **Topics discussed**

- AGM 2023
  - o Minute Approval
  - o Selection of Office-bearers (Rona Mackay MSP, convener; Beatrice Wishart MSP, deputy convener; Scottish Women's Aid, Secretariat)
- Thematic Session
  - o The Limitless Project: Anne Robertson Brown
  - o Young Women Know: Rebecca Mason, the Young Women's Movement

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

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

Audrey Nicoll, Scottish National Party

Claire Baker, Scottish Labour

Katy Clark, Scottish Labour

Natalie Don, Scottish National Party

James Dornan, Scottish National Party

Sharon Dowey, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

Rhoda Grant, Scottish Labour

Rona Mackay, Scottish National Party

Tess White, Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

Beatrice Wishart, Scottish Liberal Democrats

### **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**

Gillian Baker

Lucia Dahlby

Nikki Dillon

George Eckton

Liz Gilchrist

Christine Gray

Lily Greenan

Alice Jackson

Kelly Johnson

Nancy Lombard

Elisabeth Loose

Stephen Madill

Kallia Manoussaki

Carlene McAvoy

Dr Melanie McCarry

Mhairi McGowan

David Morran

	<p>Anne Robertson Brown</p> <p>Richard Whitecross</p>
<b>Organisations</b>	<p>Amina Muslim Women Resource Centre</p> <p>ASSIST</p> <p>Caledonian System</p> <p>Central Advocacy Partners, Falkirk</p> <p>Church of Scotland</p> <p>City of Edinburgh Council, Community Justice</p> <p>Clinical Psychology Division of the Forensic Mental Health and Learning Disability Service of Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS</p> <p>Close the Gap</p> <p>COSLA</p> <p>Edinburgh Women's Aid</p> <p>Engender</p> <p>The Evangelical Alliance</p> <p>GEMAP</p> <p>Girlguiding Scotland</p> <p>Includem</p> <p>NHS Lanarkshire Gender-Based Violence Services</p> <p>NUS Scotland</p> <p>Pilton Community Health Project</p> <p>Rape Crisis Scotland</p> <p>Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre Perth &amp; Kinross</p> <p>SafeLives</p> <p>SAY Women</p> <p>Scottish Association of Social Workers</p> <p>Scottish Women's Aid</p>

	Scottish Women's Convention Thriving Survivors UN House Scotland White Ribbon Scotland Wise Women Women's Support Project The Young Women's Movement Zero Tolerance
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### **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.

<b>Convener</b>	Rona Mackay MSP
<b>Deputy Convener</b>	Beatrice Wishart MSP
<b>Secretary</b>	Scottish Women's Aid
<b>Treasurer</b>	None

### **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.**

**Scottish Women's Aid provided secretariat support to the CPG (e.g. preparing and distributing meeting papers, liaison with members and invited**

speakers, taking minutes at the meeting etc.). The cost to the organisation, for an estimated 45 hours over the year, is assessed to be around £750.

Total value of financial and material benefit provided by Scottish Women's Aid was £750

### Convener Contact Details

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