**Cross Party Group on Carers** 

1pm – 1:30pm 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Zoom Meeting** 

**Present:** Mark Griffin MSP

Rona MacKay MSP
Paul O'Kane MSP
Pam Duncan-Glancy MSP
Gilliam MacKay MSP
Kelley Temple Oxfam
Jenny Millar PAMIS

Karen Maloney Carers Trust Scotland
Paul Traynor Carers Trust Scotland

## 1. Welcome and apologies.

Mark welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that this was an initial meeting to reconvene the cross-party group and elect the officials. He confirmed that so far we had 8 MSP's signed up to join the group.

## 2. Election of Office Bearers

Mark informed the meeting of the process for election of office bearers and asked if anyone was willing to stand for the posts of Convenor, Deputy Convenor and Secretariat.

Paul Traynor stated that Carers Trust Scotland were willing to continue in the role of Secretariat and Pan Duncan-Glancy proposed that motion and it was seconded by Paul O'Kane and carried unanimously by the members.

For the convenors Mark stated he was happy to continue as convenor and spoke about how the group had co-convenors last session and that had worked well and thought it would be a good way to move forward. Gillian Mackay expressed and interest in being the co-convenor. This was proposed by Pam Duncan Glancy and seconded by Paul O'Kane and was agreed unanimously.

Mark explained that these decisions and the registration form would be submitted to the Standards Committee for their consideration and if happy they would give permission for the group to be reconvened.

## 3. Date of next Meeting

A Provisional date was set for the first full meeting of the Cross-Party Group on Carers for 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 1:30 – 2pm by Zoom pending confirmation that the group can reconvene in the new parliamentary session.