

Cross-Party Group on Malawi

17 May 2023 6pm

Joint Malawi Cross Party Group (CPG) & All-Party Parliamentary Group on Malawi (APPG): The Aftermath of Tropical Cyclone Freddy

Agenda Item 1

Welcome: Alexander Stewart, MSP

Over 2.2 million people in Malawi have been affected by Tropical Cyclone Freddy, with loss of life, injury and nearly 660,000 people displaced. The Cyclone has also caused significant disruption to shelter, agriculture, food security, transport, education, health, and the water, sanitation and hygiene sectors.

Agenda Item 2

Malawi's Commissioner for the Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DoDMA) Charles Kalemba, on Malawi's priorities and needs in the cyclone's aftermath. The Commissioner will join online from Malawi.

Agenda item 3

The Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund's Dr Blessings Kachale was in Blantyre, Malawi when the cyclone hit and back in Scotland, where Blessings lives, has been instrumental in SCIAF's disaster relief response.

Agenda item 4

Malawi Fruits' Development Executive, Atusaye Kayuni on the impact on Agriculture in Malawi and on Malawi Fruits' work.

Agenda item 5

The Mamie Martin Fund's Country Director, Mercy Sibande, visiting from Malawi will speak of her organisation's work in supporting the secondary education of girls in Malawi.