

Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Muscular Dystrophy

Date Group Established (the date of establishment is the date in this parliamentary session that the Group held its initial meeting, where the office bearers were elected and not the date that the Group was accorded recognition. All Groups should hold their AGMs on, or before, the anniversary of this date.)

28 October 2021

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

02 November 2022

Date Annual Return Submitted

09 November 2022

Date of Preceding AGM [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]

28 October 2021

Group Meetings and Activities

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.

In January 2022, MDUK launched our Scottish 'Shine a Light' report which captured the experiences of people with a muscle-wasting condition during the Covid-19 pandemic and access to services, identifying key recommendations to improve services going forward. In March 2022, the CPG held a meeting to discuss the Scottish Rare Disease Framework action plan, and work around SMA screening. In June 2022, the Scottish CPG held a further meeting to discuss the publication of the Rare Disease Framework Action Plan. In September 2022, the CPG in Scotland was joined by representatives from the Scottish Government to discuss the introduction of the National Care Service Bill, and future opportunities to help 'co-design' a National Care Service in Scotland.

MSP Members of The Group

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

Jackie Baillie, Labour;
Beatrice Wishart, Scottish Liberal Democrats;
Annie Wells, Conservative;
Paul O'Kane, Labour
David Torrance, SNP

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	
Organisations	Muscular Dystrophy UK (secretariat)

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.

Convener	Jackie Baillie MSP
Deputy Convener	Annie Wells MSP David Torrance MSP
Secretary	Matthew Rose, Muscular Dystrophy UK
Treasurer	
<p>Financial Benefits or Other Benefits</p> <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>	
<p>I can confirm that the support from Muscular Dystrophy UK does not exceed £500.</p>	
<p>Convener Contact Details</p>	
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