

Opening remarks from Pauline McNeill MSP.

Mercedes Villalba MSP chairs the meeting for the election of office bearers and a word of thanks to former convenor Sandra White.

Sandra White nominates Pauline McNeill MSP, James Dornan MSP and Maggie Chapman MSP to be joint convenors of the group. Ross Greer MSP seconds the nominations. The nominations carry unanimously.

Pauline McNeill MSP chairs the meeting.

Confirms that meetings will be held virtually for the time being.

Opens to group discussion on what issues to focus on for future meetings and activity

Maggie Chapman suggested: Raise awareness of the situation facing Palestinians, Amplify Palestinian voices both here and abroad, build solidarity through twinning.

Group members suggest the CPG must be more pro active: agreement that sub groups be set up to carry forward specific projects.

Agreed that future meetings should include expert speakers.

Meeting closes

MSPs in attendance: Pauline McNeill MSP, Maggie Chapman MSP, Mercedes Villalba MSP, James Dornan MSP, Ross Greer MSP, Sarah Boyack MSP, Foyso Choudhury