# **CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM**

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Older People, Age and Ageing

### PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

- 1. Please state the purpose of the Group.
- 2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.
- 3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.
- 4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.
- 1. Purpose
  - To help the Scottish Parliament to address the challenges of an ageing population.
  - To provide MSPs with a source of information and expertise on issues of age.
  - To bring together those with an interest in the well-being of older people.
  - To encourage co-operation in promoting the interests of older people and their involvement with the Scottish Parliament.
  - To assist the Scottish Parliament in meeting older people's needs as well as benefiting from their experience.
- 2. Around 1million older people exist in Scotland, many of whom contribute to its economy through work, volunteering and unpaid care. This should be recognised and celebrated. As older people are living longer, it is vital that they can do so in the healthiest way possible and if required, with support and caring expertise. As legislation and policies develop, the Scottish Parliament and Government will require to liaise with key interests to help shape these and their implementation. In this respect the Group will provide a good resource and channel.
- Overlap will be inevitable with other Cross Party Groups in discussion topics such as volunteering, caring, long term conditions, illnesses, disabilities and addictions. However, this Group will be the only Group that will focus on older people, age and aging in all circumstances where cross-cutting issues affecting older people will be discussed.
- 4. Topics for further discussion:
  - Proposed Social Security in Scotland
  - Early stage dementia

- Mental health and older people proposed joint meeting with Cross Party Group on Mental Health
- Standards of Care
- Digital technology

## MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Richard Leonard MSP - Scottish Labour

Colin Smyth, MSP - Scottish Labour

Annie Wells MSP – Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party

Sandra White MSP – Scottish National Party

Rhoda Grant MSP - Scottish Labour

## 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	Amanda Gordon
Organisations	Action on Hearing Loss
	Action on Elder Abuse Scotland
	Age Scotland
	Alzheimer Scotland
	Big Lottery Fund Scotland
	British Geriatric Society
	Care Inspectorate
	Centre for Cognitive Ageing, University of Edinburgh
	Faith in Older People
	Generations Working Together
	Intergenerational Network
	Luminate
	Places for People Care and Support

Royal College of Speech and Language Therapy
Royal College of Psychiatrists
Scottish Older People's Assembly
Scottish Pensioners Forum
Scottish Seniors Alliance

#### **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	Sandra White, MSP
Deputy Convener	Annie Wells MSP
Secretary	Glenda Watt, Scottish Older People's Assembly
Treasurer	Amanda Gordon, Office of Sandra White, MSP

# 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 Older People's Assembly will provide secretariat but the cost for administration of meetings will not exceed £500 per year.

### SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

Nil

## **CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

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STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT		
I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Older People, Age and Ageing is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.		
Signed		
Date		