

# Cross-Party Group Monitoring Report

October 2022

1. This paper is prepared by the Table Office for the Standards of Conduct Committee in accordance with paragraph 44 of the rules on the operation of Cross-Party Groups ('the rules'). It provides an overview of the activities of the Senedd's Cross-Party Groups ('CPGs') between the beginning of the Sixth Senedd in May 2021 and 5 October 2022.
2. Under paragraph 41 of the rules, failure to comply with, or contravention of the rules could ultimately lead to withdrawal of recognition of the group on the authority of the Llywydd (the group would be de-registered and all details removed from the Senedd's website).

## Registered Cross-Party Groups

3. A total of 71 CPGs have been registered since the beginning of the Sixth Senedd. No groups have been wound up voluntarily nor been de-registered in that time, but it does appear that three CPGs are yet to meet despite having being established over a year ago.

## Compliance

4. The rules on the operation of CPGs require CPG Chairs to provide the following information to the Table Office within specified timescales:
  - As much advance notice of meetings as possible (including meeting dates, times and venue);
  - Notification of the election of office-holders (within four weeks of the election taking place);
  - Submission of minutes (within four weeks of the meeting taking place);



- Notification of any changes to the details of the CPG (within four weeks of the changes coming into effect);
  - The holding of an Annual General Meeting every twelve months, after which the Chair must provide an Annual Report and Financial Statement within six weeks of that meeting taking place.
- 5.** A summary of each group’s activities and compliance with the rules is outlined in Annex A.
- 6.** A list of the groups, along with the names of Chairs and persons/organisations providing secretarial support, is included in Annex B. Full details of all group meetings are available on the Senedd’s website.

## Annex A

### Summary of each group's activities and compliance with the rules

<b>Cross-Party Group</b>	<b>Date Registered</b>	<b>Meeting dates and whether minutes provided (yes / no / late)</b>	<b>Annual Report (Yes / No / Not applicable*)</b>
A Clean Air Act for Wales	04/08/2021	09/06/2022 (late) 21/03/2022 (late) 26/01/2022 (late) 08/06/2021 (late) 06/10/2021 (late)	N
Active Travel Act	26/07/2021	14/07/2021 (yes) 01/12/2021 (yes) 21/06/2022 (yes)	Y
Animal Welfare	18/08/2022	31/03/2022 (late) 12/07/2022 (late)	N/A
Armed Forces and Cadets	25/05/2021	07/07/2021 (yes) 09/12/2021 (yes)	N
Arts and Health	02/02/2022	21/06/2022 (yes)	N/A
Autism	03/08/2021	13/12/2021 (yes) 07/03/2022 (yes) 13/06/2022 (yes)	N
Beer and Pubs	21/01/2022	19/01/2022 (yes)	N/A
Biodiversity	21/01/2022	18/01/2022 (yes) 17/05/2022 (yes)	N/A

<b>Cross-Party Group</b>	<b>Date Registered</b>	<b>Meeting dates and whether minutes provided (yes / no / late)</b>	<b>Annual Report (Yes / No / Not applicable*)</b>
Cancer	17/06/2021	30/09/2021 (late) 09/12/2021 (yes) 17/03/2022 (late)	Y
Children and Families	17/02/2022	01/02/2022 (yes)	N/A
Children in Our Care	30/03/2022	01/02/2022 (late)	N/A
Climate, Nature and Wellbeing	26/04/2022	27/01/2022 (late) 14/03/2022 (late) 12/05/2022 (late)	N/A
Co-operatives & Mutuals	01/07/2021	29/06/2021 (yes) 06/10/2021 (yes) 12/01/2022 (yes) 27/04/2022 (yes) 29/06/2022 (yes)	Y
Coeliac Disease & Dermatitis Herpetiformis	22/07/2021	30/06/2021 (late) 12/10/2021 (yes) 04/05/2022 (yes) 20/09/2022 (yes)	N
Construction	16/07/2021	29/11/2021 (yes)	Y
Consumer Rights	27/09/2022	<b>No meetings / minutes yet</b>	N/A
Deaf Issues	22/06/2021	21/06/2021 (yes) 27/01/2022 (late) 28/04/2022 (late) 21/07/2022 (late)	Y
Dementia	22/03/2022	23/03/2022 (yes) 13/07/2022 (yes)	N/A
Diabetes	22/07/2021	08/07/2021 (yes)	N

<b>Cross-Party Group</b>	<b>Date Registered</b>	<b>Meeting dates and whether minutes provided (yes / no / late)</b>	<b>Annual Report (Yes / No / Not applicable*)</b>
Digital in Wales	22/07/2021	16/07/2021 (yes) 30/03/2022 (yes) 22/06/2022 (yes)	N
Digital Rights and Democracy	19/01/2022	17/02/2022 (late) 05/05/2022 (late) 27/06/2022 (late)	N/A
Disability	20/08/2021	28/07/2022 (late) 04/05/2022 (yes) 31/03/2022 (late) 20/10/2021 (late) 14/07/2021 (late)	N
Faith	15/06/2021	14/07/2021 (yes) 20/10/2021 (late) 04/05/2022 (yes) 14/07/2022 (no)	N
Fuel Poverty and Energy Efficiency	17/11/2021	08/11/2021 (yes) 14/03/2022 (yes) 11/07/2022 (yes)	N/A
Funerals and Bereavement	11/08/2021	05/07/2021 (late) 20/01/2022 (late) 09/06/2022 (yes)	Y
Further Education and Skills	15/12/2021	08/12/2021 (yes)	N/A
Gambling Related Harm	04/01/2022	02/11/2021 (late)	N/A
Haemophilia and infected blood	08/07/2021	07/07/2021 (yes)	N

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Horseracing	09/12/2021	08/12/2021 (yes) 30/03/2022 (yes) 22/06/2022 (yes)	N
Hospice and Palliative Care	14/07/2021	08/07/2021 (yes) 07/10/2021 (yes) 13/01/2022 (yes) 17/03/2022 (yes) 19/05/2022 (late) 07/07/2022 (yes)	Y
Housing	08/07/2021	21/06/2021 (late) 08/11/2021 (late)	N
Human Trafficking	19/07/2021	15/11/2021 (late)	Y
Human Rights	25/01/2022	11/11/2021 (late) 03/05/2022 (late) 30/06/2022 (late)	N/A
Industrial Communities	30/07/2021	14/07/2021 (late) 13/10/2021 (yes) 09/03/2022 (yes) 06/07/2022 (yes)	Y
Intergenerational Solidarity	10/06/2021	16/07/2021 (late) 04/10/2021 (late) 13/12/2021 (late) 18/02/2022 (late) 09/05/2022 (late)	N
Learning Disability	13/05/2022	11/05/2022 (yes) 21/09/2022 (n/a)	N/A

<b>Cross-Party Group</b>	<b>Date Registered</b>	<b>Meeting dates and whether minutes provided (yes / no / late)</b>	<b>Annual Report (Yes / No / Not applicable*)</b>
Liver Disease and Liver Cancer	13/04/2022	03/03/2022 (late)	N/A
Long-COVID	17/06/2021	30/09/2021 (late) 20/10/2021 (yes) 30/11/2021 (late) 26/01/2022 (late) 29/06/2022 (yes)	N
Lung Health	04/10/2021	21/09/2021 (late) 16/11/2021 (yes) 08/02/2022 (yes) 10/05/2022 (yes)	Y
Medical Research	17/12/2021	01/12/2021 (yes) 27/04/2022 (yes)	N/A
Mental Health	15/11/2021	29/09/2021 (late) 02/02/2022 (late) 10/05/2022 (late)	N/A
Muscular Dystrophy and Neuromuscular Conditions	22/07/2021	10/11/2021 (yes) 05/07/2022 (yes)	N
Music	10/06/2021	<b>No meetings / minutes</b>	N
North Wales	17/03/2022	19/05/2022 (yes) 01/07/2022 (yes)	N/A
Nursing & Midwifery	09/02/2022	20/10/2021 (late) 23/03/2022 (late)	N/A
Older People and Ageing	02/09/2021	15/06/2021 (late) 08/03/2022 (late) 07/06/2022 (late)	N/A

<b>Cross-Party Group</b>	<b>Date Registered</b>	<b>Meeting dates and whether minutes provided (yes / no / late)</b>	<b>Annual Report (Yes / No / Not applicable*)</b>
Outdoor Activity Sector	19/07/2021	15/07/2021 (yes) 13/12/2021 (yes) 12/07/2022 (late) 28/09/2022 (n/a)	N
Policing	05/07/2021	22/06/2021 (yes) 09/11/2021 (yes) 15/03/2022 (yes) 21/06/2022 (yes)	N
Poverty	08/10/2021	29/09/2021 (yes) 03/02/2022 (yes)	N/A
Preventing Child Sexual Abuse	25/10/2021	05/10/2021 (yes) 15/02/2022 (yes) 26/09/2022 (yes)	N/A
Public & Commercial Service Union (PCS)	02/07/2021	<b>No meetings / minutes yet</b>	N
Public Transport	28/09/2021	22/09/2021 (yes) 14/12/2021 (late)	Y
Race & Equality	21/10/2021	28/09/2021 (yes) 23/11/2021 (late) 27/04/2022 (late)	N/A
Rare, Genetic and undiagnosed conditions	02/08/2022	18/05/2022 (late)	Y
Renewable and Low Carbon Energy	13/12/2021	09/02/2022 (no) 29/03/2022 (no)	N/A
Rural Growth	16/02/2022	16/02/2022 (yes)	N/A



<b>Cross-Party Group</b>	<b>Date Registered</b>	<b>Meeting dates and whether minutes provided (yes / no / late)</b>	<b>Annual Report (Yes / No / Not applicable*)</b>
School Food	06/04/2022	16/02/2022 (late) 30/03/2022 (late) 08/06/2022 (late)	N/A
Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths and Medicine	28/09/2021	08/03/2021 (late) 28/09/2021 (yes) 14/06/2022 (no)	Y
Shooting and Conservation	16/03/2022	14/06/2022 (yes)	N/A
Small Shops	21/12/2021	08/12/2021 (yes) 16/03/2022 (yes) 11/07/2022 (yes)	N/A
Smoking and Health	20/08/2021	01/07/2021 (yes) 20/01/2022 (yes)	N
Sport	04/07/2022	13/07/2022 (yes)	N/A
Steel	17/06/2021	<b>No meetings / minutes</b>	N
Substance Misuse and Addiction	03/02/2022	24/01/2022 (yes) 07/06/2022 (yes)	N/A
Suicide Prevention	04/11/2021	19/10/2021 (yes) 19/01/2022 (yes) 30/03/2022 (yes) 13/07/2022 (yes)	N/A
Tourism	08/07/2021	08/07/2021 (yes) 29/09/2021 (yes) 30/03/2022 (yes) 18/05/2022 (yes) 06/07/2022 (yes)	N

<b>Cross-Party Group</b>	<b>Date Registered</b>	<b>Meeting dates and whether minutes provided (yes / no / late)</b>	<b>Annual Report (Yes / No / Not applicable*)</b>
Universities	04/11/2021	24/11/2021 (yes) 02/02/2022 (late) 12/07/2022 (yes)	N/A
Violence Against Women and Children	08/10/2021	30/09/2021 (yes) 11/01/2022 (late) 01/03/2022 (no)	N/A
Wales International	20/07/2021	14/07/2021 (late) 15/02/2022 (late) 05/07/2022 (late)	Y
Women	10/06/2021	10/06/2021 (yes) 09/07/2021 (yes) 17/09/2021 (yes) 10/12/2021 (yes) 18/02/2022 (yes) 29/04/2022 (late) 01/07/2022 (yes)	N
Women's Health	03/08/2021	08/07/2021 (yes) 19/05/2022 (late) 26/01/2022 (late) 13/10/2021 (late)	N

\*N/A noted for groups registered after 31 August 2021, who have not provided an Annual Report and Statement.

## Annex B

### List of Cross Party Groups

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Cross Party Group</b>	<b>Person and organisation providing secretarial support</b>
Mabon ap Gwynfor	Housing	Rob Simkins, Shelter Cymru
Rhun ap Iorwerth	Coeliac Disease & Dermatitis Herpetiformis	Tristan Humphreys, Coeliac UK
	Digital in Wales	Pryderi ap Rhisiart, Menai Science Park
	Haemophilia and infected blood	Lynne Kelly, Haemophilia Wales
	Muscular Dystrophy and Neuromuscular Conditions	Michaela Regan, Muscular Dystrophy UK
Rhun ap Iorwerth and Hefin David	Long-COVID	Georgia Walby, Long Covid Wales
Rhys ab Owen	Dementia	Sion Jones, Alzheimer's Society Cymru
Jane Bryant	Arts and Health	Katy Brown, Arts Council Wales
	Diabetes	Josh James, Diabetes UK
	Preventing Child Sexual Abuse	Elinor Crouch-Puzey, NSPCC
	Suicide Prevention	Laura Frayne, Samaritans Cymru
Hefin David	Universities	Sophie Douglas, Universities Wales
Jane Dodds	Children and Families	Louise O'Neill, Children in Wales
	Children in Our Care	Helen Mary Jones, Voices from Care Cymru
Heledd Fychan	Wales International	Jenny Scott, British Council

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Cross Party Group</b>	<b>Person and organisation providing secretarial support</b>
Russell George	Medical Research	Gemma Roberts, British Heart Foundation
John Griffiths	Biodiversity	Liz Smith, Wales Environment Link
	Further Education and Skills	Amy Evans, Colegau Cymru
	Lung Health	Joseph Carter, British Lung Foundation
	Policing	Lynda Young, Welsh Government official
	Poverty	Steffan Evans, Bevan Foundation
	Race & Equality	Uzo iwobi, Race Council Cymru
	Smoking and Health	Julie Edwards, ASH Wales
Llyr Gruffydd	Horseracing	Jack Barton, British Horseracing Association
Sian Gwenllian	Women	Jessica Laimann, Women's Equality Network Wales
Mike Hedges	Older People and Ageing	Ceri Cryer, Age Cymru
	Public & Commercial Service Union (PCS)	Darren Williams, Public and Commercial Services Union
	Rare, Genetic and undiagnosed conditions	Rachel Clayton, Genetic Alliance
Vikki Howells	Co-operatives & Mutuals	Daniel Roberts, Wales Co-operative Centre
	Industrial Communities	Peter Slater, Industrial Communities Alliance
	Small Shops	Steve Dowling, Association of Convenience Stores

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Huw Irranca-Davies	A Clean Air Act for Wales	Matthew Norman, Asthma UK and British Lung Foundation Wales
	Active Travel	Chris Roberts, Support Staff
	Outdoor Activity Sector	Paul Donovan, Wales Adventure Tourism Organisation
Mark Isherwood	Autism	Chris Haines, National Autistic Society
	Deaf Issues	Callum Mclean, Wales Council for Deaf People
	Disability	Megan Thomas & Miranda Evans, Disability Wales
	Fuel Poverty and Energy Efficiency	Ben Saltmarsh, NEA Cymru
	Funerals and Bereavement	Deborah Smith, Wordsmith Communication UK Limited
	Hospice and Palliative Care	Matthew Brindley, Hospice UK
	North Wales	Lucy Sweet, Welsh Local Government Association
Joel James	Liver Disease and Liver Cancer	Richard Daniels, British Liver Trust
Delyth Jewell	Climate, Nature and Wellbeing	Antonia Fabian & Oliver John, Royal College of Psychiatrists
	Intergenerational Solidarity	David McKinney, Older People's Commissioner for Wales
	Renewable and Low Carbon Energy	Lydia Godden, Cadno Communications Ltd
Laura Anne Jones	Sport	Matthew Williams, Sport Wales

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Cross Party Group</b>	<b>Person and organisation providing secretarial support</b>
Samuel Kurtz	Rural Growth	Robert Dangerfield, Country Land and Business Association
	Shooting and Conservation	Bronwen Gardner, British Association for Shooting and Conservation
Darren Millar	Armed Forces and Cadets	Curtis Shea, Support Staff
	Faith	Jim Stewart (not supplied)
Sarah Murphy	Digital Rights and Democracy	Jim Killock, Open Rights Group
Peredur Owen-Griffiths	Substance Misuse and Addiction	Crispin Watkins, Kaleidoscope
Rhianon Passmore	Music	Professor Paul Carr, University of South Wales
Jenny Rathbone	Gambling Related Harm	Wynford Ellis Owen, Not supplied
	Nursing & Midwifery	Helen Whyley, Royal College of Nursing Wales
	School Food	Bryn Hamer, Soil Association
	Women's Health	Molly Boydon, British Pregnancy Advisory Service
David Rees	Cancer	Katie Till, Cancer Research UK
	Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths and Medicine	Niall Sommerville, Royal Society of Chemistry
	Steel	Stephanie Lynch, Support Staff
Sam Rowlands	Tourism	Adrian Greason-Walker, Wales Tourism Alliance
Jack Sargeant	Beer and Pubs	John Pockett (advised John is retired and no longer represents any organisation)

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Cross Party Group</b>	<b>Person and organisation providing secretarial support</b>
Ken Skates	Mental Health	Simon Jones, Mind Cymru
Carolyn Thomas	Animal Welfare	Will Morton, League Against Cruel Sport
	Public Transport	Joshua Miles, The Confederation of Passenger Transport Cymru
Joyce Watson	Construction	Alex Rawlin, Construction Industry Training Board
	Human Trafficking in Wales	Wanjiku Mbugua, BAWSO
Sioned Williams	Consumer Rights	Alun Evans, Citizens Advice Cymru
	Human Rights	Professor Simon Hoffman, Swansea University
	Learning Disability	Samantha Williams, Learning Disability Wales
	Violence Against Women and Children	Jordan Brewer, Welsh Women's Aid