

# Cross-Party Group Annual Report

## Cross Party Group Details

### Cross Party Group Title:

Smoking and Health

## Group membership and office holders

### Name of Group Chair:

John Griffiths MS

### Names of other Members of the Senedd:

Darren Millar MS

Rhun ap Iorwerth MS

Mike Hedges MS

Delyth Jewell MS

### Name of Secretary and Organisation:

Simon Scheeres, ASH Wales Cymru

### Names of other external members and organisations represented:

Suzanne Cass, ASH Wales Cymru

Lowri Jackson - Royal College of Physicians

Gethin Jones - Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health

Greg Pycroft - Tenovus Cancer Care

Julie Morgan - Swansea Bay Maternity

Joseph Carter – Asthma and Lung UK

Gemma Roberts - British Heart Foundation Cymru

Judy Thomas - Community Pharmacy Wales

Kate Thompson

Nicolas Webb - Royal College of GPs

## Other meetings of the Group since the last AGM

### Meeting 1

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#### Date of Meeting:

20<sup>th</sup> January 2022

#### Attendees:

1. John Griffiths MS (**Chair**) 2. Suzanne Cass (ASH Wales) 3. Simon Scheeres (ASH Wales) 4. Allan Frost (ASH Wales) 5. Jacqueline Hotchkiss (speaker) 6. Dr Raouf Alebshehy (speaker) 7. Roger Mapleson, Trading Standards 8. Andrew Bettridge (support staff) 9. Julie Edwards (**Secretary**) 10. Jason Williams, Police Liaison 11. Judith Parry, RCT TS 12. Lee Gonzalez (support staff) 13. Mike Davies, Vale of Glamorgan 14. Emma Coopey, Gwent Police 15. Nicola Sutton, Denbighshire TS 16. Endaf Lloyd Williams, Gwynedd TS 17. Andrew Meaney, Torfaen TS 18. Laura Willis, Cardiff & Vale UHW 19. Dara O'Hare, Bath University 20. Alison Dally, Torfaen Healthy Schools 21. Kathryn Davies, RCT TS 22. Claire Howells, Torfaen TS 23. Altaf Hussain MS 24. Charlotte Meller, SW Police & Crime 25. Bethan Jones, Public Health Wales 26. Sandra McSparron, Pembrokeshire TS 27. Sarah Smith, Illegal Money Lending 28. Yasmin Zahra (support staff) 29. Helen Poole, Cardiff & Vale NHS 30. Alaw Davies, CRUK 31. Hayley Fry, Crimestoppers 32. Laura Wilson, Public Health Wales 33. Kate Thompson, CIEH 34. Stephanie Barnhouse, Welsh Gov 35. Gemma Roberts, BHF 36. Philip Garrod, Public Health Wales 37. Barry Jackson, Trading Standards 38. Megan Elliott, Cwm Taf Public Health 39. Ed Wilson, Welsh Gov 40. Lee MacGregor, Dyfed Powys Police 41. Olivia Cheek, CRUK 42. Liz Western, Healthy Schools 43. Torin Greenhill, CRUK 44. Heledd Roberts (support staff) 45. David Edwards, Flintshire TS 46. Brody Anderson (support staff) 47. Ian Millington,

Denbighshire TS 48. Rhys Harries, Swansea TS 49. Owen Jones (support staff) 50. Amy Lewis, Public Health Wales 51. Angie Contestabile, Tenovus 52. Rhys Taylor (support staff) 53. Helen Cunningham (support staff) 54. Simon Bromley, North Wales Fire 55. Anne Wilson, Hywel Dda 56. Julie Powell Jones, Healthy Schools 57. Ryland Doyle (support staff) 58. Lucy Duncanson, Hywel Dda 59. Cath Einon, Hywel Dda 60. Ioan Bellin (support staff) 61. Eric Kendall, GAIN 62. Emma Coopey, Gwent Police 63. Stuart Phillips, BWY Canine.

### **Summary of the issues discussed:**

At a Cross Party Group meeting on Thursday January 20<sup>th</sup> 2022, chaired by John Griffiths MS, we heard of the unveiling of the first 'all Wales' approach to the illegal tobacco market. The campaign, funded by Welsh Government; is being spearheaded by Trading Standards Wales, HMRC and ASH Wales.

Wales' illegal tobacco lead, Jacqueline Hotchkiss, a trading standards officer on secondment to Welsh Government, presented the new approach.

The meeting also explored international law regarding Government engagement with the tobacco industry, with a focus on the illegal tobacco market. The presentation was relayed by Dr Raouf Alebshehy, a Global Monitoring Coordinator working for the Tobacco Control Research Group, within the University of Bath.

More than 60 stakeholders from across the UK took part in the event, including: Members of the Senedd and their representatives, HMRC, Welsh Government, Trading Standard teams, the third sector, NHS Wales, and Welsh Fire and Police representatives.

### **Meeting 2**

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#### **Date of Meeting:**

30<sup>th</sup> November 2022

#### **Attendees:**

##### **Senedd Members & Representatives**

1. John Griffiths MS -Senedd **(Chair)**
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2. Atlaf Hussain MS- Senedd
3. Darren Millar MS-Senedd
4. Andrew Bettridge-Support Staff for John Griffiths MS
5. Rose Wildlake- Support Staff for Jeremy Miles MS
6. Emilia Douglas- Support Staff for Laura Anne Jones MS
7. Rhys Hughes- Support Staff for Rhun ap Iorwerth MS

### **King's College London**

8. Professor Ann McNeill-KLC (Speaker)
9. Dr Leonie Brose-KCL (Speaker)
10. Dr Erikas Simonavicius-KCL (Speaker)
11. Dr Debbie Robson -KCL (Speaker)

### **ASH Cymru**

12. Suzanne Cass- ASH Cymru (Speaker)
13. Simon Scheeres- ASH Cymru (**Secretary**)
14. Lloyd Bowen-ASH Cymru
15. Leyla Elmi- ASH Cymru
16. Rachel Bott- ASH Cymru
17. Matthew Cass- ASH Cymru
18. Anastasiia Mironchuk-ASH Cymru

### **Additional**

19. Cathryn Hurrell- Hywel Dda UHB - Smoking & Wellbeing Team
20. Daniel Parker- Caerphilly Youth Service

21. Trina Nealon- Cardiff & Vale UHB - Local Public Health Team
22. Anne Wilson- Hywel Dda UHB - Senior Practitioner (Smoking)
23. Alison Osborn - Hywel Dda UHB - Smoking Practitioner
24. Laura Thomas- Aneurin Bevan UHB - Health Promotion
25. Kayleigh Day- Cardiff and Vale UHB - Child Health
26. Jackie Browne-Hywel Dda UHB - Smoking Advisor
27. Stacy Baker- Hywel Dda UHB - Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
28. Suzanne Williams-BCUHB - Primary and Community Care
29. Sarah MacHenry-HDUHB - Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
30. Carla Gregg- Y Bont
31. Bethan Jones- Cardiff and Vale UHB
32. Elizabeth McIntosh- CTM UHB - Health Improvement Team
33. Nicola Thomas- Cardiff and Vale UHB - Child Health
34. Bethan Ridsdale- Aneurin Bevan UHB - Public Health Team
35. Chloe Male- BCUHB - Primary and Community Care
36. Roger Mapleson- Wrexham-Trading Standards & Licensing Lead
37. Deb Sugrue-Cardiff and Vale UHB - Stop Smoking Wales
38. Andrew Misell- Alcohol Change UK- Director for Wales
39. Cath Einon-Hywel Dda UHB - Service Development Manager

40. Dobbin, Lowrie- Caerphilly County Borough Council-Youth Worker
41. Christian Williams- Caerphilly Council Youth Service
42. Dan Clayton- ABUHB
43. Philip Garrod-HDUHB - Senior Practitioner - Smoking & Wellbeing
44. Jago Brockway- Cavendish Advocacy
45. Cheryl Richards- Public Health Wales
46. Lucy Duncanson-HDUHB-Senior Practitioner-Smoking& Wellbeing
47. Liz Newbury-Davies- Public Health Wales
48. Craig Whitehouse- Glanynant Learning Centre (PRU)
49. Cerys James- Public Health Wales
50. Ieuan Parsons- Caerphilly Youth Service- Senior Youth Worker
51. Carin Quinn- CCBC- Healthy Schools Lead Practitioner
52. Helen Wright -HD UHB - Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
53. Gemma Mark- Caerphilly Youth Service
54. Luke Carter -Public Health Wales
55. Tess Falzon- Hywel Dda UHB - Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
56. Sarah Griffiths- Public Health Wales
57. Chris Tarbuck- Caerphilly Council- Substance Misuse Worker
58. Victoria Vaughan- Public Health Wales

59. Jacqueline Hotchkiss- HSS- Health & Wellbeing
60. Megan Cole- Cancer Research UK
61. Claire Nott -CTM Public Health
62. Matthew King- HSS - Health and Wellbeing - Health Improvement
63. Helen Poole- Cardiff and Vale UHB - Smoking Cessation
64. Rachel Howell- Public Health Wales
65. Caoimhe Pugh- Public Health Wales
66. Susan O'rourke- Swansea Bay UHB - Help Me Quit
67. Orla Thomas- Health and Wellbeing - Business Management Team
68. Alison John- Hywel Dda UHB - Practitioner - Smoking & Wellbeing
69. Fiona Edwards-HD UHB -Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
70. Melody Abbott- HD UHB -Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
71. Amar Patel- Public Health Wales
72. Michelle Morgan-Aneurin Bevan UHB - Health Promotion
73. Melina Williams- PHW- Smoking Prevention Trainer
74. Dean Wood- Caerphilly Youth Service
75. Lisa Stanton-Jenkins- HD UHB - Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
76. Trystan Sion- Hywel Dda UHB – Smoking & Wellbeing Practitioner
77. Jen Thomas- Cardiff and Vale UHB - Children First Team

78. Greg Pycroft- Tenovus Cancer Care

79. Annalies Hitchman-Morgan- Hywel Dda UHB - Senior Practitioner

80. Katie Till- Cancer Research UK

81. Jessica K Harvey- Caerphilly Youth Service

82. Carole Challenger- Caerphilly Youth Service

### **Summary of the issues discussed:**

At a Cross Party Group meeting on Wednesday November 30<sup>th</sup> 2022, chaired by John Griffiths MS, we heard findings from the recent independent report on vaping. The report was conducted by researchers at King's College London (KCL).

The independent report was commissioned by the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (OHID), and has been cited as the most comprehensive review of vaping to date.

Speakers:

- Prof Ann McNeill, Professor of Tobacco Addiction (KCL)
- Dr Leonie Brose, Reader in Addictions Education and Nicotine Research (KCL)
- Dr Erikas Simonavicius, Research Associate (KCL)
- Dr Debbie Robson, Senior Lecturer in Tobacco Harm Reduction (KCL)

More than 80 stakeholders from across the UK took part in the event, including: Members of the Senedd and their representatives, Welsh Government, Welsh youth services, substance misuse services, health practitioners and health service leads.

### **Meeting 3**

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#### **Date of Meeting:**

9<sup>th</sup> February 2022 (Annual Meeting)

#### **Attendees:**

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1. John Griffiths MS-Senedd **(Chair)**
2. Simon Scheeres- ASH Wales **(Secretary)**
3. Suzanne Cass- ASH Wales
4. Gemma Roberts- British Heart Foundation Cymru
5. Joseph Carter- Asthma and Lung UK
6. Helen Poole- Cardiff & Vale UHB (Smoking Cessation)
7. Andrew Bettridge (Support Staff, John Griffiths MS)
8. Rylan Doyle (Support Staff, Mike Hedges MS)

**Summary of the issues discussed:**

Annual Meeting Agenda (Minutes sent to Senedd Table Office). Meeting agenda:

1. Apologies
2. Election of Office Holders (Chair & Secretary).
3. Accounts
4. Meeting summary of last CPG meeting (King's College London Research on E-cigarettes).

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**Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations and charities the Group have met during the previous year.**

[names of lobbyists/organisations/charities should be included as follows, e.g.]

**See above, all organisations listed in meeting attendance.**

**Name of Group:**

**See above, all organisations listed in meeting attendance.**

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## Annual Financial Statement

**Cross Party Group Title:**

**Smoking and Health**

**Date:**

09/02/23

**Name of Chair:**

**John Griffiths MS**

**Name of Secretary and Organisation:**

**Simon Scheeres, ASH Wales Cymru**

| Title   | Description                        | Amount       |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Group's Expenses</b>   | None                               | £0.00        |
| <b>Costs of all goods</b>   | No goods bought                    | £0.00        |
| <b>Benefits received by the group or individuals members from external bodies</b> | No benefits received.              | £0.00        |
| <b>Any financial support or other support.</b>                                    | No financial support was received. | £0.00        |
| <b>Total</b>  |                                    | <b>£0.00</b> |

Services provided to the Group, such as hospitality.

All hospitality paid for [include the name of the group/organisation].

| Date         | Name and description of provider | Costs        |
|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
|              |                                  | £0.00        |
|              |                                  |              |
| <b>Total</b> |                                  | <b>£0.00</b> |