

# Cross-Party Group Minutes

## Meeting Minutes:

<b>Cross Party Group Title:</b>	Cross Party Group for Music
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	Tuesday April 16th
<b>Location:</b>	Ty Hywel, Cardiff Bay

## In attendance:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
Rhianon Passmore	Member of the Senedd for Islwyn
Carolyn Thomas	Member of the Senedd for North Wales
Mike Hedges	Member of the Senedd for Swansea East
Professor Paul Carr	University of South Wales
Susan Wood	University of South Wales
Nia Williams	Rhianon Passmore office
Keith Jones	Rhianon Passmore's Office
Stephen Williams	Mick Antoniw's Office/Musicians Union
Lisa Tregale	BBC National Orchestra
Simon Chalk	
Graham Howe	
Andrew Jones	Brass Bands Wales
Elizabeth Atherton	WNO
Rhian Hutchings	Anthem
Vanessa David	
Abby Charles	Ty Cerdd
Rob Smith	USW
Tamasree Mukhopadyay	Kiran Cymru
Christopher Barron	WNO
Calliope Cooper-Russell	
Ben Talton	
Suzanne Griffiths	
Dave Ball	Creative Wales
Mari Pritchard	National Music Service



<b>Name</b>	<b>Title/Organisation</b>
Emma Archer	Cardiff and Vale Music Education Service
Karin Jenkins	
Sara Gibson	National Music Service
Sharon Jagdev	
Stephen McNally	Making Music
Suzanne Griffiths	Arts Council Wales
Andrew Morgan	A Strings

### Apologies:

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Title:</b>
Deborah Keyser	Ty Cerdd
Andy Warnock	
Delyth Jewell	Senedd Member
Laura Drane Patricia Kier Llyr Gruffydd	RWCMD Senedd Member

### Summary of Meeting:

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Welcome and Apologies</li> <li>2. Minutes of last meeting</li> <li>3. National Music Service Update (paper report)</li> <li>4. Music Venues Trust - Hoda Taher</li> <li>5. Independent Music Shops – Andrew Morgan</li> <li>6. Music Fayre Update</li> <li>7. CPG External Visit</li> <li>8. A.O.B.</li> </ol>
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1. RP opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Apologies received and noted. RP has received correspondence from Elizabeth Atherton regarding cuts at WNO. RP asked the groups permission to raise the concerns with the relevant persons and organisations. Group agreed to this course of action. And agenda this for next meeting. **RP to Action**
2. RP agreed minutes, No changes raised. **No actions**
3. MP from the National music Service provided a paper report to the group along with copies of the most recent NMS newsletter. Copy of report to be attached to minutes. **NW to action**
4. Aled Owens presented a report to the group from Music Venues Trust. Aled gave an overview of current issues that MVT are working on including ticket levy and the agent of change principle in relation to planning policy and music venues. Copy of report to also be attached to minutes – **NW to action.**
5. Andrew Morgan from A Strings music shop provided the group with a written report highlighting the difficulties that independent music retailers are currently facing. AM made a number of recommendations as to how the NMS could work with Independent Retailers. MP from NMS offered to meet with AM to discuss these further. Tamasree from Kiran Cymru also offered to meet. **NW to arrange introduction.**
6. Music Fayre Update – RP advised the Group that the date of the Music Fayre has been set for September 25<sup>th</sup>. The event is to raise the profile and highlight the wide range of wonderful musicians and music organisations across Wales. **RP asked for any organisations that may be interested in taking part to contact her office.**
7. CPG External Visit – RP suggested an external visit to UK Parliament and or Scottish Parliament. RP asked permission from Group to go ahead and explore the possibility of a visit.
8. **A.O.B.** – RP took the opportunity to thank Paul Carr for his service to the Group as he stands down from his position as Secretariat. Thanks also passed to Susan Wood for her work and support.
9. **A.O.B.** - Stephen McNally from Making Music advised the Group of the Making Music Day event at the Senedd on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June between 12noon and 2pm. Global event that has happened for 40 years – this is the first one in Wales. **NW to circulate details of event to the Group.**

