

APPG for Children – Due Diligence Statement 2025/26

Name of APPG: APPG for Children	
Secretariat Assurance Statement	
All members of the secretariat are fully identified.	Yes
I [APPG Officer undertaking due diligence] understand who else the secretariat members work for and their external responsibilities.	Yes
I know whether the secretariat members are paid or remunerated, and if so, by whom.	Yes
They have confirmed they are not part of, working for or funded by a foreign government.	Yes
Where a group, charity, company, etc, is providing or finding the secretariat, I know how that entity is funded.	Yes
The group, charity or organisation has stated it is not funded, directly or indirectly, by a foreign government.	Yes
Online Research	
Individual, group or company providing secretariat has a publicly available online presence.	Yes
Individual, group or company appears elsewhere online (e.g. news articles, blogs) linked to a foreign government.	No
Online presence does not confirm or infer a link to a foreign government, now or in the past.	Yes
If appropriate, Companies House checks have been conducted and results considered.	N/A
Signed: <i>Jess Atsuto MP</i>	Role of Member in the APPG: <i>Chair</i>

Income and Expenditure Statements for All-Party Parliamentary Groups

Introduction

1. Any group which receives more than £12,500 in money or in kind **from outside Parliament** in its reporting year¹ must establish arrangements to record and account for income and expenditure. This note is extracted from Appendix 2 of the Guide to the Rules on APPGs published in 2017, which set out what is required.
2. Benefits are received **from outside Parliament** if they are not given by one or both Houses, or by the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority (IPSA).

When income and expenditure statements are required

3. Any group which received over £12,500 in that reporting year must publish² a closing income and expenditure statement, approved by the officers of the group, within 28 days of its approval and within four months from the end of the relevant reporting year.
4. At the end of the Parliament, or earlier if the group ceases to exist, any group which received over £12,500 in either the reporting year then current, or in the most recently finished reporting year, must also publish³ a closing income and expenditure statement, approved by the officers of the group. The statement must be published within four months of the end of the Parliament, or within four months of the date when the group agreed to cease to exist.⁴

Steps to publishing income and expenditure statements

5. Any Group which meets the criteria in paragraphs 3 and 4 above must
 - a) Complete an income and expenditure statement, in accordance with the template below; and
 - b) Arrange to have this approved at its AGM,⁵ and
 - c) Publish⁶ the approved statement on the website within 28 days of its AGM, and within four months of the end of the relevant reporting year.

¹ Information about reporting years is set out in paragraph 5 (i) of Appendix 1.

² Groups which do not have websites must instead make these statements available on request.

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⁴ This is required only of groups which appear on a register in the 2015 parliament or later.

⁵ Or, if not possible, another General Meeting

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Information to be provided

6. When a group completes an income and expenditure statement, it must reflect in it all income and benefits received, and all expenditure, in the relevant reporting period. There is no exemption for items which do not require registration, *except that* groups must not list any benefits provided by or derived from Parliament (eg the use of meeting rooms, stationery or IT facilities); or benefits derived from the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority (IPSA) (eg the use of staff time or facilities in a constituency office).

7. The form below sets out the minimum detail required. A statement which provides less detail than this is unlikely to be acceptable. On the other hand, groups may provide more detail if they wish. For example, accruals accounting is not required and it is expected that in most cases the statement will be completed on a money-in, money-out basis. But a group is free if it so wishes to prepare its statement on an accruals basis.

Overlap with registration

8. Submission of income and expenditure statements does not remove the overlapping responsibility for registration. Groups are still required to register, within 28 days, any benefits with a value of over £1,500 which they receive from a single source outside Parliament in the calendar year. And individually, MPs and Peers and their staff are still required to register, in accordance with the requirements of that House, certain benefits which they have received through their membership of an All-Party Parliamentary Group. The relevant Guides to the Rules explain the requirement.

Groups which submit accounts to external bodies

9. If the group is required to submit its accounts to an external regulatory body (such as a charity commission or Companies House), it must either:

- prepare an income and expenditure statement, in accordance with the rules set out in this note; or
- publish⁷ on its website the accounts which it already submits to the external body. In that event the accounts must distinguish the elements of income and expenditure which are set out in the template,⁸ and the accounts must be published within the timetable for submission which has been set by the external body.

⁷ Groups which do not have websites must instead make these statements available on request.

⁸ Groups may include some detail in the notes to the accounts, if more convenient.

Template for income and expenditure statement for All-Party Parliamentary Groups

Below the form please see 'Notes on how to complete the income and expenditure statement'.

Name of group: All Party Parliamentary Group for Children

Period covered by this statement: 14 Nov 2024 – 14 Nov 2025

	£
A. Balance brought forward from previous year:	0
B. Income received during the year:	
i. Membership subscriptions (parliamentarians)	0
ii. Monetary donations (including external subscriptions and sponsorship)	0
iii. Trading income	0
iv. Interest received	0
v. Other (please explain)	0
TOTAL income	0

C. Expenditure during the year:

i. Employment costs (salaries, NI, pensions costs)	0
ii. Costs of contractors and freelance staff	0
iii. Visits and events (UK)	0
iv. Visits and events (abroad)	0
v. Cost of generating income	0
vi. Office and communications costs	0
vii. Other (please explain)	0
TOTAL expenditure	0
D. Balance carried forward (A+ total B- total C)	0

<p>E. Value of benefits in kind received from each source during the reporting year (in bands of up to £1,500; £1,501-£3,000; £3,001 to £4,500; £4,501 to £6,000 etc)</p> <p>Please itemise according to the source and band</p>	<p><i>25,501- 27,000 National Children's Bureau Secretariat Duties</i></p>
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Signed by Chair of Group:

Date:

Jen Atsah MP

18th November 2025