

**Cross-Party Group on Palliative Care
in the Scottish Parliament**

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**Meeting of the Cross-Party Group on Palliative Care
in the Scottish Parliament
on
Wednesday 7 March 2007 at 5.45 pm
in
Committee Room 5, Parliament Headquarters, Edinburgh**

Buffet and Refreshments available from 5.30 pm

Agenda

1. **Welcome & Apologies:** Michael McMahon MSP, Convener
2. **Minutes of last meeting:** To approve as a correct record the minute of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 6 December 2006 (attached)
3. **Matters arising:**
 - 3.1 Prescription charges (item 3.1)
 - 3.2 Lymphoedema update (item 3.2)
 - 3.3 House of Lords: Palliative Care Bill (item 3.3)
 - 3.4 House of Commons: Provision of Palliative Care Bill (item 3.4)
 - 3.5 Modernising Medical Careers (MMC) (item 4.1)
4. **Public Petition PE1031** - petition by Professor Donald M Macdonald calling for Members of the Scottish Parliament to oppose the introduction of any legislation which would permit assisted suicide
5. **Presentation and discussion:**
 - Children's Hospices Association Scotland (CHAS)
Dr Pat Carragher, Depute Chief Executive (Medical)
6. **Any other competent business**
7. **Dates of next meetings:**

Wednesday 6 June 2007 (AGM)
Wednesday 5 December 2007