

All-Party Parliamentary Group on Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery

19th March 2024 Annual General Meeting

Minutes

Attendees

Dame Karen Bradley MP
Lord Randall
Alex Norris MP
Jess Phillips MP
Rosena Allin-Khan MP
Lord Hendy
Rebecca Kirby
Divya Emmi
Robyn Phillips

Apologies: Baroness Butler-Sloss, Baroness Hamwee, Baroness Kennedy of Cradley, Jackie Doyle-Price MP, Andrew Selous MP, Baroness Prashar, Lord Mann, Baroness Watkins, Bell Ribeiro-Addy MP, Lord Alton, Lord Hunt, Lord McConnell, Anthony Steen

AGM Notes

Dame Karen Bradley was proposed as Chair and Baroness Butler-Sloss was proposed as Co-Chair and both were duly elected. Alex Norris and Lord Randall were proposed and seconded as Vice Chairs. It was confirmed that the APPG has over 20 members and the Chair welcomed new members to the meeting. It was confirmed that Anthony Steen will continue as Specialist Advisor and the Human Trafficking Foundation will continue to act as Secretariat.

The Terms of Reference were agreed and it was confirmed that the income and expenditure for the APPG in 2023 was £0.

APPG Notes Following AGM

Jess Phillips MP raised concerns about Albanian survivors of trafficking subject to removal and at risk of being re-trafficked. A suggestion of visiting safehouses in Albania to further understand the risks of re-trafficking was raised.

Dame Karen Bradley MP suggested inviting the new Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner to meet with the APPG.

Lord Randall brought members' attention to the Lords Committee which is reviewing the Modern Slavery Act 2015 with a particular focus on supply chains and exploitation in the care sector. Lord Randall also suggested considering whether there are recommendations within the Home Affairs Committee report on human trafficking which the APPG could take forward.

Jess Phillips MP raised that a full-scale review of the National Referral Mechanism is needed and that the APPG could make recommendations as to what this should entail. Dame Karen Bradley MP requested a meeting for APPG members to discuss this after recess.