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67TH COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE 2-8 NOVEMBER 2024

A delegation from the WCPP attended the Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC) which took place in Sydney, Australia.

The delegation was led by the Deputy Speaker and accompanied by the Leader of the Official Opposition, the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Mobility, Secretary to the Provincial Parliament and the International Relations and Protocol Officer.

The theme of the conference was *Engage, Empower, Sustain: Charting the course for resilient democracy*. The annual conference brings together more than 650 participants from across the commonwealth. In addition to the main conference, the WCPP participated in the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) as well as the Society of Clerks at The Table (SoCATT). The Secretary was selected to form part of the SoCATT conference agenda where he presented on the topic of *Executive Undertakings*.

Key outcomes from this conference:

- Delegates welcomed the work undertaken to enable the CPA to create a new non-charitable organisation and the passage of the CPA Status Bill in the UK Parliament to legislate to recognise the CPA as akin to an international, interparliamentary organisation.
- Delegates approved the 2023 CPA Annual Report (including the audited financial statements), the CPA Membership Report, the CPA budgets and financial management reports.
- Delegates endorsed reports from the three CPA networks – the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP), the Commonwealth Parliamentarians with Disabilities (CPWD) and the CPA Small Branches.