



## COMMISSION ON DEVOLUTION IN WALES

## TWENTY SECOND COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

11 JULY 2013

GWYDYR HOUSE 1 CASPIAN POINT, LONDON CARDIFF**Present:****Commissioners:**

Paul Silk (Chair)  
Nick Bourne  
Jane Davidson (Item 1-7)  
Rob Humphreys (Item 1)  
Eurfyl ap Gwilym  
Trefor Jones  
Noel Lloyd (Items 1, 7-8)  
Helen Molyneux

**Secretariat:**

Michael Kay  
Sara Parry  
Angharad Richards  
Ben Jones

**1. Meeting with the Secretary of State for Wales, Rt Hon David Jones MP**

1.1 The Commission outlined their progress to date and discussed some issues arising in evidence with the Secretary of State.

**2. Round-up of activity undertaken since last meeting**

2.1 The Chair provided an update on his meetings with Lord ~~Barry~~ Jones and Lord Rowe-Beddoe.

**3. Evidence Gathering**

3.1 The Commission agreed that, following its programme of public engagement, it would continue to take evidence until the end of September.

3.2 The Commission noted that Beaufort Research were finalising the report on the public opinion survey it had undertaken for the Commission. The Commission agreed that this report should be published bilingually as soon as possible.

**4. Evidence from Andrew Beaver, Director of Strategy and Simon Markall, Parliamentary and Public Affairs Manager, Ofwat**

4.1 The Commission held a discussion on the current arrangements for water and sewerage including a number of issues raised in evidence.

**5. Evidence from Ciaran Martin, Director, Constitution Group, Cabinet Office**

5.1 The Commission held a discussion on inter-governmental relations and constitutional policy, including a number of issues raised in evidence.

**6. Evidence from Chris Flatt, Deputy Director, Constitution and Communications, Scotland Office**

6.1 The Commission held a discussion on how the relationship with the Scottish Government and Scottish Parliament is managed within the UK Government.

**7. Evidence from Dickon Howell, Head of Marine Licensing, Marine Management Organisation**

7.1 The Commission held a discussion on the role of the Marine Management Organisation in Wales.

**8. Evidence from Sir Bob Kerslake, Head of the Civil Service**

8.1 The Commission held a discussion on inter-governmental relations, the treatment of issues created by devolution, and the capacity of the Civil Service, including a number of issues raised in evidence.

**Actions (Not for publication)**

Action Point	Lead	Completion date	Completed
<b>Evidence Gathering</b>  Beaufort to be instructed to translate and publish as soon as possible.	Secretariat	12/07/13	12/17/13