**Agenda**

14:00 24 April 2025

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*Or in person: Mandela Room, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh*

**MEETING ADMIN**

1. Apologies
2. Action Note, Meeting of EMB 27 February 2025 – *circulated*

**UK PARLIAMENTARY GENERAL ELECTION 4 JULY 2024**

1. UKPGE Funding Claims – *note* *submission deadline 4 April*
2. Postal Vote/Print Roundtable – summary of event – *circulated*

**EMB GENERAL WORKSTREAMS**

1. Local Government By-elections - *circulated*
	1. Quarterly Review of by-election support from Fujitsu April 2025 – *circulated*
2. Scottish Parliament By-election in the Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse constituency
3. Manual Verification and Count: Good Practice
4. Accessibility Subgroup
	1. Ballot Paper Overlay
	2. Scottish Parliament Cross-Party Group on Visual Impairment 27 May
5. Future Status and Resourcing of the EMB

**PREPARATION FOR SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ELECTION MAY 2026**

1. Legislation, Funding, Guidance – *update on progress*
	1. Conduct Order
	2. Fees and Charges
2. OAVA / Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Bill – *update*
3. Potential Directions from the Convener of the EMB
	1. Count Timing – *RO views circulated; update on discussion with Minister*
4. Support for ROs and EROs
	1. Conference in September/October 2025

**GENERAL UPDATES / LEGISLATION**

1. Scottish Government Update
	1. eCount Procurement
2. Electoral Commission –*oral* *update*
	1. Corporate plan 2025-2030
3. Boundaries Scotland / Boundary Commission for Scotland
	1. Scottish Parliament Boundaries for May 2026
4. Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill – *circulated*
5. Consultation on Dual Mandates in the Scottish Parliament – *circulated*
	1. Roundtable discussion with Minister – *letter circulated*
6. OFCOM Consultation response – *circulated*
7. UK Government– *oral update*
8. Martyn’s Law – [*circulated*](https://homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/2025/04/03/martyns-law-factsheet/)

**EMB ADMINISTRATION**

1. EMB Administration / Membership
	1. EMB Annual Report - [*circulated*](https://www.emb.scot/downloads/file/1094/annual-report-of-the-emb-for-scotland-2023-2024)
2. Any Other Business
3. Future Meetings in 2025
* 26 June
* 27 November