

Agenda

(Interim) Electoral Management Board for Scotland

Wednesday 6 April 2011, 3:00pm
City of Edinburgh Council Headquarters
Chief Executive's Boardroom, Waverley Court, East Market Street, Edinburgh

ADMINISTRATION ITEMS

- 1.0 Apologies
- 2.0 Note of Previous Meeting (9 March 2011) (*circulated*)
 - 2.1 Matters Arising

POLICY ITEMS

- 3.0 Future Remit and Status of the Board
- 4.0 Planning for future elections
 - 4.1 Preparation for 5 May 2011 (Scottish Parliamentary Elections & Referendum on the Voting System for UK Parliamentary elections)
 - 4.1.1 Fees and Charges Orders (*Update from Scotland Office*)
 - 4.1.1.1 Scottish Parliamentary elections (*circulated*)
 - 4.1.1.2 UK Referendum
 - 4.1.2 Guidance and Directions from the Chief Counting Officer
 - 4.1.2.1 Guidance/ Instructions / Directions / Forms / Templates
 - 4.1.3 Consistency Issues
 - 4.1.3.1 Timing of Scottish Parliamentary Counts
 - 4.1.3.2 Ballot Papers
 - 4.1.3.3 Polling
 - 4.1.3.4 Count Processes
 - 4.1.3.4.1 Adjudication
 - 4.1.3.4.2 Protocol for Regional Referendum Result

4.1.3.5 Postal Voting Issues

4.2 Review of 5 May Electoral Events

4.2.1 Role of the Board

4.2.2 Role of the Electoral Commission

4.2.3 Role of the CCO

4.3 Preparation for Scottish Local Government Elections 2012

4.3.1 Legislation (*Update from Scottish Government*)

4.3.2 E Counting Project

4.3.2.1 Ballot Paper Testing Results and Recommendations (*circulated*)

INFORMATION ITEMS

5.0 IEMB Information Bulletin – March 2011

6.0 Briefing to MPs

7.0 Regional Returning Officers' Group and associated meetings

(Papers available at <http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/elections/elections-and-referendums-working-groups>)

7.1 Elections and Referendums Steering Group Agenda and Papers – Update from Convener

7.2 Elections & Registrations Working Group Agenda and Papers – Update from Secretary

8.0 Electoral Commission Spring Polls Bulletins

9.0 Scottish Political Parties Panel:

9.1 Issues for future meetings

10.0 Boundary Issues (Hugh Buchanan to be invited to a future meeting)

CONSULTATION ITEMS

11.0 Consultations

11.1 None Current

12.0 Any Other Business

13.0 Dates of Next Meetings: to be confirmed

- Wed 11 May - 3.30 pm

- Wed 8 June - 2.30 pm

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