

Agenda

Friday 30 August 2013, 1:30pm Scott 1 Room, COSLA, Verity House, 19 Haymarket Yards Edinburgh EH12 5BH

MEETING ADMINSTRATION

1.0 Apologies

- 2.0 Note of Previous Meeting, 31 May 2013 (circulated)
 - 2.1 Matters Arising

WORK PROGRAMME

- 3.0 European Parliamentary Elections 2014
 - 3.1 Update From Cabinet Office/Scotland Office
 - 3.2 Proposed Communications approach
- **4.0** Scottish Independence Referendum : Legislation update from Scottish Government
 - 4.1 Referendum Bill
 - 4.2 Franchise Bill / registration issues
 - 4.3 Fees and Charges Order
- 5.0 Scottish Independence Referendum : CCO Work Programme
 - 5.1 CCO Overview
 - **5.1.1 Memorandum of Understanding with the Electoral Commission** *circulated*
 - **5.1.2 The Chief Counting Officer's Approach** (circulated)
 - **5.1.3 CCO Resources** oral update from the Secretary
 - 5.2 Governance / Project Management
 - **5.2.1 Project Initiation Document (***circulated***)**

5.3 Guidance

- **5.3.1 Progress Report on Guidance for Counting Officers** (circulated)
- **5.3.2 Draft Guidance: Parts A and B** (circulated)
- 5.3.3 Update from Forms Group
- 5.4 Count Collation
 - 5.4.1 Consultation on Count Timing
 - **5.4.2 Count Collation Arrangements (***circulated***)**
- 5.5 Count Declaration Event
 - 5.5.1 Venue
 - 5.5.2 Event Management
 - 5.5.3 Media coverage
- 5.6 Communications

5.6.1 Public Awareness – Presentation from Electoral Commission

- 6.0 Bulletin & Website
- 7.0 Issues raised by the Election Teams across Scotland

INFORMATION

- **8.0 Individual Electoral Registration Update from Cabinet Office** (Colin Dingwall to attend)
- 9.0 Regional Returning Officers' Group and associated meetings

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

- **9.1** Elections and Referendums Steering Group Update from Convener
- **9.2** UK Electoral Advisory Board Update from Convener
- **9.3** Elections & Registrations Working Group Update from Secretary

CONSULTATIONS ETC

10.0 Consultations / Evidence Sessions

- **10.1** Consultation on Performance Standards for Ros
- **10.2** Cabinet Office Review of Election Funding

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11.0 Any Other Business

12.0 Future Meetings

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