

Cross Party Group on the UK: Changing Union

Minutes: 5 February 2014 Meeting, 8.30-9.30am, Conference Room 21, Ty Hywel

Members: David Melding AM (Chair), Mike Hedges AM, Rhodri Glyn Thomas AM, Simon Thomas AM, Professor Richard Wyn Jones (Director, Wales Governance Centre at Cardiff University), Llew Williams (Project Coordinator UK Changing Union, Group Secretary).

External invitees: A full list of external attendees can be found at the end of the minutes.

1. Welcome

Chair welcomed members and external invitees to the meeting of the Cross Party Group on UK Changing Union.

2. Guest speaker: Professor David Farrell, University College Dublin

Chair welcomed the Cross Party Group's guest speaker for the meeting Professor David Farrell. Professor Farrell gave a talk on his work on the Irish Constitutional Convention where he is a Research Director. Professor Farrell also provided a brief analysis of what could be learnt from the Irish process.

Professor Farrell then took questions from the audience in relation to his presentation.

3. Close of meeting

Chair thanked Professor Farrell for his contributions, and closed the meeting.

Date of the next meeting: to be agreed at a further date.

List of external invitees who attended:

Adam Evans	Our Future project member
Dr Rebecca Rumbul	UKCU SG member, Wales Governance Centre
Ed Poole	London School of Economics
Prof Roger Scully	Wales Governance Centre
Steve Brooks	Electoral Reform Society
Owain Llyr	Electoral Reform Society
Will Griffiths	Welsh Liberal Democrats AMSS
Elisabeth Laird	Welsh Government
Osian Lewis	Plaid Cymru AMSS

Graham Henry	Western Mail
Mark Hinge	Bay Public Affairs
Matt Francis	Chair, Our Future project
Bethan Roberts	Welsh Government
Dafydd Cadog	
Syd Morgan	
Rachel Doe	Welsh Government
Angharad Richards	Welsh Government
Howard Potter	
Jess Blair	IWA
Lee Waters	IWA
Anna Nicholl	Cymru Yfory
Peter Badcock	
Owain Phillips	ITV
Alan Trench	

