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In accordance with the inter-institutional relations agreement, I can report to Members of the Senedd that I represented the Welsh Government at a meeting of the Interministerial Group for Elections and Registrations on 8 March.

The meeting was held virtually and chaired by George Adam MSP, Scottish Government's Minister for Parliamentary Business. Also in attendance were Kemi Badenoch MP, Minister for Levelling Up Communities, and the Rt Hon Conor Burns MP, Minister of State for Northern Ireland.

This meeting was a chance to discuss the UK Elections Bill and competence issues, which were discussed in our recent Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum. We also discussed preparations for the forthcoming elections in May, including our flexible voting pilots.

A joint Communiqué relating to the meeting was issued on 21 April and is available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/communiques-from-the-interministerial-group-for-elections-and-registration>

We continue to work together, with meetings planned to take place on a quarterly basis with rotating chairing arrangements. I will keep Members updated.

This statement is being issued during recess in order to keep members informed. Should members wish me to make a further statement or to answer questions on this when the Senedd returns I would be happy to do so.