



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

Huw Irranca-Davies MS  
Chair  
Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee  
Senedd Cymru

15 December 2023

Dear Huw,

**Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement: British-Irish Council Summit in Dublin**

Further to my letter of 23 November regarding the inter-institutional relations agreement and a British-Irish Council Summit being held in Ireland, I would like to draw your attention to my [written statement](#) of today, and to the BIC [communiqué](#) summarising the outcomes of the Summit.

Whilst at the Summit, I took the opportunity to hold bilateral meetings with the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Paschal Donohoe TD, the Taoiseach Leo Varadkar TD, the First Minister of Scotland the Rt Hon Humza Yousaf MSP, and the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations the Rt Hon Michael Gove MP.

I have also copied this letter to the Chairs of the following Committees: Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure; Local Government and Housing; Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations; and Equality and Social Justice.

Yours sincerely,

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