

# Press release: UK and Welsh Governments meet to advance Brexit talks

First Secretary of State Damian Green meets Welsh Secretary Alun Cairns and First Minister Carwyn Jones, along with Local Authority leaders to move discussions on Brexit forward

The next round of Brexit talks between the Welsh and UK Governments will take place today (Thursday 30 November) in Cardiff, where First Secretary of State Damian Green and Welsh Secretary Alun Cairns will meet First Minister Carwyn Jones.

The meeting is the latest in a series of talks between both governments to help determine where powers repatriated from the EU to the UK at the point of Brexit will sit in future. It follows a positive and constructive meeting between the three ministers on 11 October.

Today's talks come after a meeting earlier in the day between Damian Green, Alun Cairns and Local Authority leaders in Wales, to discuss future growth deals, and the potential impact of Brexit on funding arrangements.

## **Secretary of State for Wales Alun Cairns said:**

These talks are an opportunity for all parties to move towards an agreement on how powers should be shared as they return from Europe.

It is vital that we make Brexit a success for everyone, and it's in everyone's interests to reach an agreement on where decisions made at an EU level will be made once we leave the EU.

Putting the people of Wales at the heart of decision making is a priority for both governments, and it will not be a case of imposing decisions.

We must not create any new barriers to living and doing business in the UK, which is why we've already agreed the need for common frameworks in some areas.

I look forward to continued positive discussions with the Welsh Government as we negotiate our route out of the EU.

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