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Dear Member of the Senedd,

I am responding to your recent Written Question to the First Minister: How many staff have been appointed to assist the Constitutional Commission's activities?

As you will be aware, staffing matters within the Welsh Government are a matter for the Permanent Secretary. Following the election of any new government it is the responsibility of the civil service to provide the Welsh Ministers with appropriate resources to ensure the implementation of the Programme for Government. The Independent Commission on the Constitutional Future of Wales has been established to implement a Programme for Government commitment. Supporting the Commission – which is formed of 2 Co-Chairs and 9 other members – is a secretariat of Welsh Government officials, currently comprising five members of staff, of whom two are full time and three are part time. Recruitment to fill a further two roles in the secretariat is planned.

Staff in the secretariat have the ability to ask for support from other Welsh Government officials, including access to corporate services such as translation and printing.

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