



DEMOCRACY IN THE UK AFTER BREXIT

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Advisory Board Minutes

Meeting 2: 22/07/21, 13:30-15:00

1. Dr Alan Renwick (PI) welcomed Advisory Board (AB) members to the meeting and introduced those members who had not attended the first AB meeting. He provided a brief summary of the project's progress, including the creation of logos and the finalisation of the first population survey.
2. Tim Hughes (Involve) gave a short presentation about the potential structure of the Citizens' Assembly on Democracy in the UK.
3. A discussion of the Assembly's first two weekends followed. Topics included: the wording of the second weekend's introductory question; the nature of the relationship between the content of the first and second weekends; the importance of neutral framing of topics; and the risk of establishing overly adversarial or binary trade-offs.
4. A discussion of the Assembly's third, fourth and fifth weekends followed. Topics included: the way in which government should be approached, as a unitary actor or not; the extent to which the courts should be included in the Assembly; and the potential inclusion of case studies to enable Assembly members to economically engage with multiple topics in a short period of time.
5. Dr Renwick thanked the AB members for their time and contributions, gave rough dates for future AB meetings, and encouraged ideas and speaker suggestions to be submitted by email.