

CSPP Presents on Scottish Affairs to Public Sector Delegation from Denmark

CSPP (26/10/2015) – The Chair of the Centre for Scottish Public Policy, Professor Richard Kerley, today met Danish Ambassador to the UK, HE Claus Grube, as part of a meeting with a delegation of public sector officials from the Scandinavian nation.

Meeting in central Edinburgh, Ambassador Grube was accompanied by a delegation of cross-disciplinary public chief executives from Denmark, including permanent secretaries, government agency directors, regional directors, and municipal directors. The delegation are holding meetings with public institutions and figures in Scotland in order to gain new knowledge and ideas which can be translated into their daily work in Denmark.

Professor Kerley presented the CSPP and its work, mentioning that the Centre focuses on a broad range of policy issues relevant to the remit of the Scottish parliament and local authorities.

The CSPP Chair, who is also Professor Emeritus of Management at Queen Margaret University, outlined a range of contemporary policy issues in Scotland including: the development of local authority structures and debate on the need for a “presumption of localism” in local government reform; the contours of the constitutional debate in Scotland following the September 2014 referendum; and a few of the implications of the debate on the EU referendum for Scotland.

Delegation members then asked a number of questions on these and other topics regarding Scottish public affairs, before thanking the CSPP for the exchange of information and ideas.

The meeting formed part of the CSPP’s national and international political engagement activities, at which the views and priorities of the Centre’s members can be discussed with a range of stakeholders and partners.

As an independent, cross and non-party think tank, the CSPP’s activities also include parliamentary monitoring, media engagement, events, dialogue sessions, and research, in partnership with our members and supporters.

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