

“Wales will get nearly a quarter of a new £200m fund set up as a pilot for replacing EU aid.” (Wales to get quarter of EU fund’s replacement pilot, 2021) This news article emphasises Wales’ position within the United Kingdom, and how the movement of Brexit is pushing Wales further into Welsh independence. The lack of devolution and further lack of funding is seen throughout this article with Westminster prioritising England. This backs the “against” argument in my essay as it is evidential enough that this has caused fury throughout the Welsh Government with Welsh Labour accusing Tory ministers of misleading the public over how it would replace the European Union funding. The large decrease in funding from £375million down to £46million, with no money for the county of Flintshire has further urged the movement “yesCymru” to call out on the people of Wales to fight for change on social media.

However, the opposing political party, Abolish the Welsh Assembly, could use this as a reason against Welsh independence. One argument that is circling the north of Wales is that the Senedd, down in Cardiff at the south of Wales, does not share its funding equally and has failed to do so during the Covid 19 pandemic. This is evident through not funding Flintshire for any further projects or having any leftover cash for the county. (Wales to get quarter of EU fund’s replacement pilot, 2021)

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