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YORKSHIRE & THE HUMBER MEP GETS TOP EU POST

During a week of internal [elections](#) at the European Parliament in Strasbourg, a Yorkshire & The Humber Liberal Democrat MEP retains his leading position as a Vice-President.

Mr McMillan-Scott - a Yorkshire MEP since 1984 - said:

"As the only Briton on the European Parliament's influential ruling body, the Bureau - responsible for its management, organisation and finances - I now have privileged access to the right people at the right time on behalf of my constituents. I recognise the need to explain better what we do and why we do, and I will continue my [Single Seat](#) campaign to focus all our activities in Brussels and not Strasbourg."

McMillan-Scott expects to retain his portfolio for democracy and human rights until he next European elections in June 2014.

There are 14 Vice-Presidents of the 754-Member European Parliament who chair sessions and undertake duties on behalf of the President, now German socialist Martin Schulz, who was elected on Tuesday 17 January.

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Note to editors:

Edward McMillan-Scott, a noted pro-European, was leader of the Conservative MEPs 1997-2001 and objected to David Cameron's leadership pledge to withdraw from the mainstream centre-right European Peoples' Party (EPP). In March 2010 he joined the Liberal Democrats.