

ultra vires \Rightarrow beyond powers.

Powers of the devolved assemblies / parliaments.

Devolved or transferred matters			
Scottish parliament		Welsh Assembly	Northern Ireland Assembly
* Tax varying powers (income tax) $\pm 3\%$			
* Education		* Same education system as England	
* Justice		* Uses UK legal system	* Uses ^{UK} legal system
* Agriculture		* Agriculture	* Agriculture
* Some aspects of health and elderly care		* Some aspects of health and elderly care	* Some aspects of health and elderly care

Excepted matters (all held at Westminster)

- moral issues (abortion)
- defence
- allocation of budget (Barnet formula)
- foreign policy / immigration

People with power unlikely to give it up.

Scottish are trustwor thy + demanding

Welsh close allies of Eng.

NI too unstable

Separate

All laws need royal assent.

non-contentious

~~All laws need~~

again too unstable to have its own

Parliamentary sovereignty.

All laws need Royal Assent

All Powers can be withdrawn by Westminster (Not losing Stormont Powers - when?)

De jure - 'in law') in law, Parliament can
De facto - 'in fact') withdraw powers, but in fact
it is unlikely.

All UK laws are now subject to EU law +
superseded by them anyway.