SCHEDULE 3

Combined Authority Mayoral Election (Combination of Polls) Rules

PART 1

General provisions

Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Combined Authority Mayoral Elections (Combination of Polls) Rules.

Interpretation

- **2.**—(1) In these Rules—
 - "the Appendix" means the Appendix to these Rules contained in Part 9 of this Schedule;
 - "the Combination of Polls Regulations" means the Representation of the People (Combination of Polls) (England and Wales) Regulations 2004(1);
 - "counting observer" has the same meaning as in regulation 2(1) of the Referendums Regulations;
 - "local counting area" has the same meaning as in regulation 2(1) of the European Parliamentary Elections Regulations 2004(2);
 - "petition organiser" has the same meaning as in regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Referendums) (Petitions) (England) Regulations 2011(3);
 - "polling observer" has the same meaning as in regulation 2(1) of the Referendums Regulations;
 - "voting area" has the same meaning as in regulation 2 of the Referendums Regulations.
- (2) In the case of a referendum, a reference to—
 - (a) a "candidate" shall be construed as a reference to a petition organiser,
 - (b) an "election agent" or a "counting agent" shall be construed as a reference to a counting observer,
 - (c) a "polling agent" shall be construed as a reference to a polling observer, and
 - (d) a "returning officer" shall be construed as a reference to a counting officer.
- (3) Subject to paragraph (4), other expressions used both in these Rules and in the 1983 Act (as it applies to local government elections) have the same meaning in these Rules as they have in that Act.
- (4) Where such expressions are used in relation to a combined authority mayoral election, they have the meaning as defined in article 2 or modified by article 3.

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⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2004/294.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2004/293.

⁽³⁾ S.I. 2011/2914.