

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 8

Section 160.

WELSH LANGUAGE NAMES FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES

- 1 Any reference in the following provisions of this Schedule to a section is a reference to that section of the Local Government Act 1972.
- 2 (1) In section 21 (constitution of principal councils in Wales) in subsection (3) after the words “body corporate” there shall be inserted “and, subject to subsection (4) below, shall be known”.
(2) After subsection (3) of that section there shall be inserted the following subsections—
 - “(4) If and so long as this subsection is in force in relation to a principal council, subsection (3) above shall have effect in relation to that council as if for the words “The County Council” there were substituted “Cyngor Sir” or, as the case may be, as if for the words “The District Council” there were substituted “Cyngor Dosbarth”.
 - (5) Subsection (4) above shall come into force in relation to a principal council three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting that the Welsh language form of the council’s description shall be used; and that subsection shall cease to be in force in relation to a principal council three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a similar majority that the Welsh language form of the council’s description shall cease to be used.”
- 3 (1) In section 33 (constitution and powers of community council) in subsection (2) for the words “body corporate” there shall be inserted “and, subject to subsection (2A) below, shall be known”.
(2) After subsection (2) of that section there shall be inserted the following subsections—
 - “(2A) If and so long as this subsection is in force in relation to a community council, subsection (2) above shall have effect in relation to that council as if for the words “The Community Council” there were substituted “Cyngor Cymuned”.
 - (2B) Subsection (2A) above shall come into force in relation to a community council three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting that the Welsh language form of the council’s description shall be used; and that subsection shall cease to be in force in relation to a community council three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a similar majority that the Welsh language form of the council’s description shall cease to be used.”
- 4 In section 74 (change of name of county, district etc.) in subsection (3) (notice of change of name) and in subsection (4) (change not to affect rights, liabilities etc.)

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after the words “this section”, in each case, there shall be inserted “or by virtue of a resolution under section 21(5) above”.

5 In section 76 (change of name of community) in subsection (2) (notice of change of name) and in subsection (3) (change not to affect rights, liabilities etc.) after the words “this section”, in each case, there shall be inserted “or by virtue of a resolution under section 33(2B) above”.

6 After section 245 (status of certain districts, parishes and communities) there shall be inserted the following section—

“245A Power for borough and town councils in Wales to adopt Welsh language form of their descriptions, etc

- (1) If and so long as this subsection is in force in relation to a district in Wales which, by virtue of section 245(1) above, has the status of a borough or for which, by virtue of section 245(4) above, the style of borough may be used—
 - (a) the council shall bear the name “Cyngor Bwrdeistref” instead of “Council of the Borough” or “Borough Council”;
 - (b) the chairman of the council shall be entitled to the style “maer” instead of “mayor”; and
 - (c) the vice-chairman of the council shall be entitled to the style “dirprwy faer” instead of “deputy mayor”.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3) below, subsection (1) above shall come into force in relation to a district which has the status of a borough, or for which the style of borough may be used, three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting that the Welsh language form of the council’s description shall be used.
- (3) A resolution under subsection (2) above may be passed by the council of a district in Wales notwithstanding that, at the time it is passed, the council does not have the status of a borough; but, if a resolution is passed at such a time, subsection (1) above shall not come into force unless, nor earlier than, the status of a borough is conferred on the district by virtue of section 245(1) above.
- (4) Subsection (1) above shall cease to be in force in relation to a district which has the status of a borough, or for which the style of borough may be used, three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting that the Welsh language form of the council’s description shall cease to be used.
- (5) If and so long as this subsection is in force in relation to a community which, by virtue of section 245(6) above, has the status of a town—
 - (a) the council shall bear the name “Cyngor Tref” instead of “council of the town” or “town council”;
 - (b) the chairman of the council shall be entitled to the style “maer y dref” instead of “town mayor”; and
 - (c) the vice-chairman of the council shall be entitled to the style “dirprwy faer y dref” instead of “deputy town mayor”.

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- (6) Subsection (5) above shall come into force in relation to a community which has the status of a town three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting that the Welsh language form of the council's description shall be used.
- (7) Subsection (5) above shall cease to be in force in relation to a community which has the status of a town three months after the day on which, at a specially convened meeting of the council, it is resolved by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting that the Welsh language form of the council's description shall cease to be used.
- (8) Subsection (10) of section 245 above has effect in relation to this section as it has effect in relation to the foregoing provisions of that section."