WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 345 (W. 99)

WELSH PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSMAN

The Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019 (Amendment of Schedule 3) Regulations 2021

 Made
 17 March 2021

 Coming into force
 1 April 2021

The Welsh Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by sections 31(2) and 81 of the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019(1).

The Welsh Ministers have carried out consultation in accordance with section 31(4) of that Act.

A draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of Senedd Cymru in accordance with section 31(5) of that Act.

Title and coming into force

- 1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019 (Amendment of Schedule 3) Regulations 2021.
 - (2) These Regulations come into force on 1 April 2021.

Amendment of Schedule 3 to the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019

- **2.**—(1) Schedule 3 to the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019 (listed authorities) is amended as follows.
 - (2) Under the heading "Local government, fire and police", at the end insert—
- "A corporate joint committee established by regulations made under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021."

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Minister for Housing and Local Government,
one of the Welsh Ministers

17 March 2021

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend Schedule 3 to the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019 (anaw 3). Schedule 3 sets out the bodies and other persons who are listed authorities for the purposes of that Act and are therefore within the remit of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales ("the Ombudsman").

These Regulations add to Schedule 3 corporate joint committees which are established by Regulations made under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1).

Section 33 of the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019 requires that Regulations under section 31(2) which add a person to Schedule 3 must specify whether all or only some of that person's functions are to fall within the remit of the Ombudsman under Part 3 of that Act (investigations). Regulation 2(2) of these Regulations specifies that all of the functions of a corporate joint committee are to fall within the remit of the Ombudsman under Part 3 of that Act.

These Regulations are connected with Regulations which establish certain corporate joint committees under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021. The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to the Regulations which establish corporate joint committees and connected regulations. As a result a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared. A copy can be obtained from the Local Government Strategic Finance Division, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.