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## SCHEDULES

### [<sup>F1</sup>SCHEDULE 4

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARIES COMMISSIONER

**F1** Schedule 4 substituted (17.5.2006) by [Local Government \(Boundaries\) \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2006](#) (S.I. 2006/1253 (N.I. 8)), arts. 1(2), 4(2), [Sch. 1](#)

### PART II

#### PROCEDURE

##### *Procedure for Commissioner appointed under section 50(1)(b)*

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- (1) This paragraph applies where a Commissioner is appointed under section 50(1)(b).
- (2) As soon as practicable after his appointment, the Commissioner shall—
  - (a) make a public announcement to the effect that he has commenced his task; and
  - (b) invite proposals from councils, political parties, associations, organisations and individual members of the public.
- (3) Where the Commissioner has provisionally determined to make recommendations with respect to a district or the wards within a district, he shall publish in at least two newspapers circulating in the district a notice—
  - (a) setting out the provisional recommendations or specifying places and times at which copies of the provisional recommendations may be inspected; and
  - (b) stating that representations in writing with respect to the provisional recommendations may, within the relevant period, be made to the Commissioner in the manner specified in the notice.
- (4) Where the period specified in a notice under paragraph (3) in relation to a district has elapsed, the Commissioner may, after giving public notice thereof, cause a public hearing to be held in that district in respect of—
  - (a) the boundary and name of the district, and the number, boundaries and names of the wards within that district; or
  - (b) such of those matters as are affected by the recommendations in question.
- (5) Where the Commissioner receives any representations duly made in accordance with the notice under sub-paragraph (3) objecting to the recommendations he has provisionally determined to make—
  - (a) from the council of the district, or

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- (b) from not less than 100 local electors registered by virtue of a qualifying address in the district,

the Commissioner shall not make the recommendations unless, since the publication of the notice, a public hearing such as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (4) has been held in the district.

- (6) The Commissioner may cause additional public hearings to be held in such manner as he may direct.

- (7) The Commissioner—

- (a) shall take into consideration the representations, if any, made in accordance with a notice published under sub-paragraph (3) or at a hearing under sub-paragraph (4) or (6); and
  - (b) may revise any provisional recommendations.

- (8) Where the Commissioner revises any provisional recommendations with respect to a district or the wards within a district, he may if he thinks fit publish in at least two newspapers circulating in that district a notice—

- (a) setting out the revised recommendations or specifying places and times at which copies of the revised recommendations may be inspected; and
  - (b) stating that representations in writing with respect to the revised recommendations may, within the relevant period, be made to the Commissioner in the manner specified in the notice;

and, if the Commissioner does so, he shall take into consideration any representations made in accordance with the notice.]

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 4(1)(ea) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 5 para. 3](#)
- s. 10(1) s. 10 renumbered as s. 10(1) by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 10 para. 3\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 10(1)(a) words inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 10 para. 3\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 10(2) inserted by [2022 c. 37 Sch. 10 para. 3\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- Sch. 8 para. 1 repealed by [2010 c. 23 Sch. 2](#) (Amendment could not be applied - affected provision (Sch. 8) not available on [legislation.gov.uk](#))
- Sch. 8 para. 3 repealed by [2010 c. 23 Sch. 2](#) (Amendment could not be applied - affected provision (Sch. 8) not available on [legislation.gov.uk](#))