*These notes refer to the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (c.1) which received Royal Assent on 20 January 2021* 

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 5: Collaborative Working by Principal Councils**

**Chapter 3:** Establishing corporate joint committees where request has been made

## Section 70 – Application by principal councils to establish a corporate joint committee

- 380. Under this section two or more principal councils may make a corporate joint committee application to the Welsh Ministers asking them to consider establishing, by regulations made under section 72, a corporate joint committee to exercise, in relation to the principal areas of those councils, a function or functions of those councils or the economic well-being function (see section 76 for the economic well-being function).
- 381. Principal councils may wish to make a corporate joint committee application if, for example, they consider there would be advantages in collaboratively exercising a particular function through a corporate body.
- 382. Subsection (2) sets out the actions the Welsh Ministers must take if, following the receipt of a corporate joint committee application, they decide not to make regulations establishing the corporate joint committee.