

TRANSITION COMMITTEES OF MERGING COUNCILS AND RESTRUCTURING COUNCILS



## MERGING COUNCILS

## Membership of transition committees for merging councils

- 2 (1) A transition committee must consist of an equal number of members, not being less than 5, of each of the merging councils.
  - (2) The members of a merging council who are to be members of the transition committee must be appointed by the merging council.
  - (3) The number of members of the committee to be appointed by each of the merging councils is the number agreed by the merging councils or, in default of agreement, determined by the Welsh Ministers.
  - (4) One of the members of the committee appointed by a merging council must be the merging council's senior executive member.
  - (5) If not already appointed under sub-paragraph (4), the executive member of a merging council with responsibility for finance must also be appointed as a member of the committee.
  - (6) A transition committee may co-opt additional persons to serve as members of the committee but they may not vote.
  - (7) A transition committee is to be treated for the purposes of paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42) (political balance on local authority committees) as a body falling within paragraph 2 of that Schedule.
  - (8) In this paragraph "senior executive member" means—
    - (a) in the case of a council operating a leader and cabinet executive, the executive leader;
    - (b) in the case of a council operating a mayor and cabinet executive, the elected mayor.

## **Commencement Information**

II Sch. 11 para. 2 in force at 21.1.2021, see s. 175(1)(f)(2)

## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, Cross Heading: Membership of transition committees for merging councils.