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## **SCHEDULE 4**

## NOTICE OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETINGS, ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS AND ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

## PART 1

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Publication of public notices given by local authorities

- 17 (1) Section 232 of the 1972 Act (public notices) is amended as follows.
  - (2) In subsection (1)—
    - (a) omit the "and" at the end of paragraph (a);
    - (b) after paragraph (b) insert "; and
      - (c) where the local authority is a local authority in Wales, by publishing it electronically."
  - (3) Omit subsection (1ZA).
  - (4) After subsection (2) insert—
    - "(3) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations make further or different provision about the manner of giving a public notice required to be given by a local authority in Wales.
    - (4) Regulations under subsection (3) may also make provision about the manner of giving a public notice required to be given by—
      - (a) a National Park authority for a National Park in Wales;
      - (b) a fire and rescue authority constituted by a scheme under section 2 of the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004, or a scheme to which section 4 of that Act applies, for an area in Wales.
    - (5) Regulations under subsection (3) may—
      - (a) make different provision for different purposes;
      - (b) include supplementary, incidental, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision (including provision amending, modifying, repealing or revoking any enactment (including this Act and the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021)).
    - (6) A statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (3) must not be made unless a draft of the instrument has been laid before and approved by resolution of Senedd Cymru."