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PART 6

PERFORMANCE AND GOVERNANCE OF PRINCIPAL COUNCILS

CHAPTER 2

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEES: MEMBERSHIP AND PROCEEDINGS

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- (1) Section 82 of the 2011 Measure (membership) is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2)—
 - (a) in paragraph (a) omit the words “at least”;
 - (b) for paragraph (b) substitute—

“(b) one-third of the members of that committee are lay persons;”.
- (3) After subsection (5) insert—

“(5A) A governance and audit committee is to appoint—

 - (a) a member of the committee as its chair (“the committee chair”), and
 - (b) a member of the committee as the deputy to the committee chair (“the deputy chair”).

(5B) The member appointed as the committee chair must be a lay person.

(5C) The member appointed as the deputy chair must not be a member of the local authority’s executive or an assistant to its executive.”
- (4) Omit subsection (6).

- (5) In Schedule 10 to this Act (consequential amendments relating to governance and audit committees), omit paragraph 4(b)(ii) and (f).