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PART 7

MERGERS AND RESTRUCTURING OF PRINCIPAL AREAS

CHAPTER 1

VOLUNTARY MERGERS OF PRINCIPAL AREAS

Facilitating mergers

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- (1) A merging council must—
 - (a) for the purposes of the merger, co-operate with the Welsh Ministers, the other merging council or councils and any other person exercising functions in relation to the merger, and
 - (b) take all reasonable steps to—
 - (i) facilitate the economic, effective and efficient transfer of its functions, staff, property, rights and liabilities to the new principal council, and
 - (ii) ensure that the new principal council and its staff are in a position to perform the new principal council's functions effectively.
- (2) The Welsh Ministers may direct a merging council to take, or not to take, any action the Welsh Ministers consider appropriate for the purpose of discharging the council's duty under this section.