

# Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

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#### PART 3

#### PROMOTING ACCESS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### **CHAPTER 2**

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN DECISION-MAKING BY PRINCIPAL COUNCILS

Principal councils' duty to encourage participation in local government

## 41 Public participation strategy: consultation and review

- (1) A principal council's first public participation strategy must be published as soon as reasonably practicable after section 40 comes into force.
- (2) In preparing that strategy the council must consult—
  - (a) local people, and
  - (b) such other persons as it considers appropriate.
- (3) A principal council—
  - (a) must review its public participation strategy as soon as reasonably practicable following each ordinary election of councillors to the council, and
  - (b) may review its strategy at any other time.
- (4) In conducting a review of a public participation strategy under subsection (3)(a) a principal council must consult—
  - (a) local people, and
  - (b) such other persons as it considers appropriate.

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- (5) Following a review under subsection (3) a principal council may revise its public participation strategy, or replace it with a new strategy.
- (6) But before revising or replacing its public participation strategy following a review under subsection (3)(b) a principal council must consult—
  - (a) local people, and
  - (b) such other persons as it considers appropriate.
- (7) If a principal council revises or replaces a public participation strategy, it must publish the revised or new strategy as soon as reasonably practicable.

#### **Commencement Information**

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