



# Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

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## PART 4

### LOCAL AUTHORITY EXECUTIVES, MEMBERS, OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

#### *Overview of Part*

#### **53 Overview**

This Part makes provision—

- (a) requiring a principal council to appoint a chief executive (rather than designate a head of paid service), whose functions will include duties imposed under this Part;
- (b) about the remuneration of chief executives;
- (c) for the appointment of assistants to executives of principal councils;
- (d) about job-sharing of certain offices in principal councils;
- (e) for issuing guidance, including to elected mayors and executive leaders, on equality and diversity;
- (f) about the entitlement of members of local authorities to various kinds of family absence;
- (g) requiring leaders of political groups to take steps to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by members of their groups, and to co-operate with standards committees;
- (h) requiring standards committees to produce annual reports on the exercise of their functions;
- (i) amending the 2000 Act and other Acts to make provision about investigations by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales into the conduct of members of local government;
- (j) about the provision of certain information to overview and scrutiny committees;

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- (k) enabling the Welsh Ministers to require local authorities to appoint joint overview and scrutiny committees;
- (l) requiring community councils to make training plans.

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