



# Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021

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## PART 3

### PROMOTING ACCESS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### CHAPTER 1

##### OVERVIEW OF PART

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In this Part—

- (a) Chapter 2 requires a principal council—
  - (i) to encourage local people to participate in decision-making by the council;
  - (ii) to prepare and publish a strategy setting out how it is to comply with its duty to encourage participation in decision-making;
  - (iii) to make a petition scheme;
  - (iv) to publish an electronic and postal address for each of its members;
- (b) Chapter 3 requires a principal council to publish a guide to accompany its constitution and make copies of the guide available on request;
- (c) Chapter 4 makes provision—
  - (i) for broadcasting proceedings at meetings of principal councils and other local authorities which are open to the public;
  - (ii) requiring local authorities to make arrangements enabling remote attendance at meetings;
  - (iii) giving members of the public the opportunity to speak at meetings of community councils open to the public;

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- (iv) about the giving of notices, and access to documents, relating to local authority meetings;
- (v) for regulations to be made about local authority meetings, publication of information and community meetings;
- (d) Chapter 5 requires community councils to publish an annual report about their priorities, activities and achievements.

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