

SCHEDULE 1

INITIAL REVIEWS OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS ETC.

Final report

- 8 (1) After the period for representations under paragraph 7(3) has ended, the Commission must consider its proposals having regard to any representations received by it during the period.
- (2) The Commission must then make a final report containing—
- (a) its recommendations for the electoral arrangements for the area under review and any recommendations for relevant consequential changes,
 - (b) details of the review it conducted, and
 - (c) details of any changes to the proposals in the interim report made in the light of the representations received, and an explanation of why those changes have been made.
- (3) The Commission must—
- (a) submit the final report to the Welsh Ministers,
 - (b) send a copy of the report to the other mandatory consultees and such other persons as it considers appropriate,
 - (c) publish the report, and
 - (d) inform any other person who submitted evidence or made representations in relation to the interim report published under paragraph 7, and such other persons as it considers appropriate, of how to access the report.
- (4) Where a principal council is sent a final report under sub-paragraph (3)(b), it must—
- (a) publish the final report,
 - (b) make the report available for inspection (without charge) at its offices for at least six weeks after the date on which it received the report, and
 - (c) take the steps it considers necessary to make the local government electors in its area aware of the report, and how to access the report.
- (5) Section 29(8) of the 2013 Act (no recommendations to be made or published in nine months before ordinary election) does not apply in the case of a recommendation contained in a final report under sub-paragraph (2).