



# Cities and Local Government Devolution Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 1

### *Reports about local devolution*

#### **1 Devolution: annual report**

- (1) The Secretary of State must lay before each House of Parliament an annual report about devolution for all areas within England pursuant to the provisions of this Act [<sup>F1</sup>or Chapter 1 of Part 2 of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023].
- (2) The annual report must include information on—
  - (a) the areas of the country where agreements have been reached,
  - (b) the areas of the country where proposals have been received by the Secretary of State and negotiations have taken place but agreement has not yet been reached,
  - (c) functions exercisable by a Minister of the Crown that have been devolved as a result of agreements so as to become exercisable by a mayor for the area of a combined authority [<sup>F2</sup>or a combined county authority] (including information as to any such functions that remain exercisable by a Minister of the Crown as a result of an agreement providing for functions to be exercisable jointly or concurrently),
  - (d) additional financial resources and public functions (so far as not falling within paragraph (c)) which have been devolved as a result of agreements, and
  - (e) the extent to which consideration has been given by a Minister of the Crown to the principle that powers should be devolved to combined authorities [<sup>F3</sup>, combined county authorities] or the most appropriate local level except where those powers can more effectively be exercised by central government.
- (3) The annual report must be laid before each House of Parliament as soon as practicable after 31 March each year.
- (4) In this section—

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“combined authority” means a combined authority established under section 103 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009;

[<sup>F4</sup>“combined county authority” means a combined county authority established under section 9(1) of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023;]

“Minister of the Crown” has the same meaning as in the Ministers of the Crown Act 1975.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 1(1) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\), s. 255\(2\)\(c\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 204\(2\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F2** Words in s. 1(2)(c) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\), s. 255\(2\)\(c\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 204\(3\)\(a\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F3** Words in s. 1(2)(e) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\), s. 255\(2\)\(c\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 204\(3\)\(b\)](#) (with s. 247)
- F4** Words in s. 1(4) inserted (26.12.2023) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\), s. 255\(2\)\(c\)](#), [Sch. 4 para. 204\(4\)](#) (with s. 247)

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