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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 649**

The Somerset West and Taunton (Local  
Government Changes) Order 2018

PART 3

Transitional functions and their discharge

**Somerset West and Taunton Council as shadow authority**

7.—(1) During the shadow period, Somerset West and Taunton Council is a shadow authority for the purposes of the following provisions of this Part.

(2) Subject to paragraph (5), the members of the shadow authority are the persons who, on the coming into force of this Order, are councillors of the District Councils.

(3) Those persons are to be members of the shadow authority throughout the shadow period notwithstanding the dissolution of the District Councils on 1st April 2019.

(4) The proper officer of the District Councils must convene, and make all necessary arrangements for, the first meeting of the shadow authority, which is to be held not later than 14 days after the coming into force of this Order.

(5) Where, after the coming into force of this Order and before 1st October 2018, a by-election is held to fill a casual vacancy arising in any ward of the District Councils, the person elected at the election is to be a member of the shadow authority.