

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) MEASURE 2011

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 3 – Available Governance Arrangements

Section 34 - Abolition of mayor and council manager executive

53. Amends the 2000 Act to remove the elected mayor and council manager option from the executive arrangements available in Wales.

Section 35 – Authorities to replace alternative arrangements with executive arrangements

54. Requires a local authority in Wales which operates alternative arrangements (also referred to as “the Fourth Option”) to cease doing so and start to operate a permitted form of executive arrangements instead. The procedure for the transition from alternative to executive arrangements is set out in Schedule 1 to this Measure to which this section gives effect. In complying with this section and the Schedule, any local authority needing to make the change will have to comply with any directions issued by the Welsh Ministers. Paragraph 13(2) of Part 2 of the Schedule allows the Welsh Ministers by order to provide for the local authority to cease to operate alternative arrangements and start operating executive arrangements in accordance with section 35.