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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 12

MEETINGS AND PROCEEDINGS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 12 excluded by [Local Government Act 1985 \(c. 51, SIF 81:1\)](#), **ss. 1, 86(9)**
- C1** Sch. 12 modified by [S.I. 1987/2110, art. 2\(2\)](#), **Sch. 1 para. 2(4)**
- C1** Sch. 12 applied with modifications by [Local Government and Housing Act 1989 \(c. 42, SIF 81:1\)](#), **s. 160(2)**
- Sch. 12: power conferred to make provisions about matters of the kind dealt with in this Schedule (1.9.1997) by [1997 c. 50, s. 44\(1\)](#), **Sch. 4(a)(ii)**; [S.I. 1997/1930, art. 2\(1\)\(2\)\(m\)](#)
- C1** Sch. 12 modified (5.11.2008) by [The Local Elections \(Ordinary Day of Elections in 2009\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/2857\)](#), **art. 6**
- C1** Sch. 12 modified (E.) (7.9.2013) by [The Local Elections \(Ordinary Day of Elections in 2014\) Order 2013 \(S.I. 2013/2277\)](#), **arts. 1(1), 5**
- C1** Sch. 12 modified (E.) (4.4.2020) by [The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels \(Coronavirus\) \(Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings\) \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/392\)](#), **regs. 1, 6 (with reg. 2(4))**
- C1** Sch. 12 modified (W.) (22.4.2020) by [The Local Authorities \(Coronavirus\) \(Meetings\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/442\)](#), **regs. 1(3), 6**
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PART III

PARISH MEETINGS

- 22 If any person, in a poll consequent on a parish meeting—
- (a) fraudulently defaces or fraudulently destroys any ballot paper or the official mark; or
 - (b) without due authority supplies a ballot paper to any person; or
 - (c) fraudulently puts into a ballot box any paper other than the ballot paper which he is authorised by law to put in; or
 - (d) fraudulently takes out of the polling station any ballot paper; or
 - (e) without due authority destroys, takes, opens or otherwise interferes with any ballot box or packet of ballot papers then in use for the purposes of the poll;

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he shall—

- (i) if he is a returning officer, or an authorised person appointed to assist in taking the poll or counting the votes, be liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years; and
- (ii) in any other case, be liable, on conviction on indictment or summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding £50, or both.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 80(3B) omitted by [2021 asc 1 Sch. 2 para. 1\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 101(6ZA) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 2](#)
- s. 123(2C) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 75](#)
- s. 131(2)(n) and word inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 16](#)