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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 12

MEETINGS AND PROCEEDINGS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- 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 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 (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](#)
- C1** Sch. 12 modified (W.) (22.4.2020) by [The Local Authorities \(Coronavirus\) \(Meetings\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/442\)](#), [regs. 1\(3\)](#), [7](#)

PART V

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

- 34 (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, each local government elector may, at a community meeting or at a poll consequent thereon, give one vote and no more on any question.
- (2) A question to be decided by a community meeting shall, in the first instance, be decided by the majority of those present at the meeting and voting thereon, and the decision of the person presiding at the meeting as to the result of the voting shall be final unless a poll is demanded.
- (3) In the case of an equality of votes, the person presiding at the meeting shall have a casting vote, in addition to any other vote he may have.
- [^{F1}(4) A poll may be demanded before the conclusion of a community meeting on any question arising at the meeting; but no poll shall be taken unless—
- (a) the poll is demanded by a majority of the local government electors present at the meeting, and
 - (b) the electors demanding a poll constitute not less than—

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- (i) 10% of the local government electors for the community, or
 (ii) 150 of the electors (if 10% of the electors exceeds 150 electors).]
- (5) A poll consequent on a community meeting shall be a poll of those entitled to attend the meeting as local government electors, and shall be taken by ballot in accordance with rules made by the Secretary of State, and the provisions of the rules with respect to elections of community councillors under section 42 above and of the enactments mentioned in section 165(1) of the ^{M1}Representation of the People Act 1949 shall, subject to any adaptations, alterations or exceptions made by the first-mentioned rules, apply in the case of a poll so taken as if it were a poll for the election of community councillors.
- (6) Rules made under sub-paragraph (5) above shall be laid before each House of Parliament as soon as may be after they are made.

Textual Amendments

F1 Sch. 12 para. 34(4) substituted (30.4.2012) by [Local Government \(Wales\) Measure 2011 \(nawm 4\)](#), ss. [93](#), [178\(3\)](#); S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(k)

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