



Local Government Act 1972

1972 CHAPTER 70

PART IX

FUNCTIONS

General

179 General provision for transfer of functions.

- (1) Subsections (2) to (4) below shall have effect for the purpose of adapting the provisions of—
- (a) public general Acts passed before, or during the same session as, this Act; and
 - (b) instruments made before the passing of this Act under public general Acts, being instruments of a legislative character and not being instruments in the nature of local enactments;

and, in particular, for the purpose of providing for the exercise of functions conferred by such provisions, but those subsections shall have effect subject to any provision to the contrary made by, or by any instrument made under, this Act and shall be without prejudice to any express provision so made.

- (2) In any such provision any reference to an administrative county or its council, or any reference which is to be construed as such a reference, shall, except where it is a reference to a specified county or council or is to be construed as such, be construed as a reference to a new county or its council, as the case may be.
- (3) In any such provision any reference to an urban district (whether as such or as a district or county district) or to the council of such a district, or any reference which is to be construed as such a reference, shall, except where it is a reference to a specified district or council or is to be construed as such, be construed as a reference to a new district or its council, as the case may be.
- (4) In any such provision any reference to a rural parish (whether as such or as a parish) or the council or meeting of such a parish, or any reference which is to be construed

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as such a reference, shall, except where it is a reference to a specified parish or its council or meeting, be construed—

- (a) as respects England, as a reference to a parish or, as the case may be, its council or meeting; and
- (b) as respects Wales, as a reference to a community or, as the case may be, its council, if any.

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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](#)