



Local Government Act 1972

1972 CHAPTER 70

PART II

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS AND AUTHORITIES IN WALES

Members of principal councils

24 Vice-chairman.

(1) A principal council shall appoint a member of the council to be a vice-chairman of the council.

[^{F1}(1A) A member of the executive of a principal council [^{F2}, or an assistant to the executive,] may not be appointed as the vice-chairman of the council.]

(2) The vice-chairman shall, unless he resigns or becomes disqualified, hold office until immediately after the election of a chairman at the next annual meeting of the council and during that time shall continue to be a member of the council notwithstanding the provisions of this Act relating to the retirement of councillors.

(3) Subject to any standing orders made by the council, anything authorised or required to be done by, to or before the chairman may be done by, to or before the vice-chairman.

^{F3}(4)

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 24(6)(1A) inserted (28.7.2001) by 2000 c. 22, ss. 46, 108(4), **Sch. 3 para. 6(1)(2)**

F2 Words in s. 24(1A) inserted (5.5.2022) by **Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021** (asc 1), s. 175(7), **Sch. 6 para. 1(2)**; S.I. 2021/231, art. 6(t) (as substituted by S.I. 2021/1249, art. 3(2))

F3 S. 24(4) repealed (30.9.2013) by **Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013** (anaw 4), s. 75(2) (d), **Sch. 2**

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 24 applied (*temp.* from 4.5.1995 to 31.3.1996) by [S.I. 1995/1042](#), **art. 4(1)**
- C2** S. 24(2) modified (W.) (22.4.2020) by [The Local Authorities \(Coronavirus\) \(Meetings\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2020](#) (S.I. 2020/442), regs. 1(3), **11(4)**

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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](#)