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15 Initial incorporation of existing institutions.

(1) Before the appointed day the Secretary of State shall by order specify—

(a) each educational institution maintained by a local authority which appears to him to fall within subsection (2) below, and

(b) each county school, controlled school or grant-maintained school which appears to him to fall within subsection (3) below.

(2) An institution falls within this subsection if on 1st November 1990 its enrolment number calculated in accordance with paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 3 to this Act was not less than 15 per cent. of its total enrolment number calculated in accordance with paragraph 1(2) of that Schedule.

(3) An institution falls within this subsection if on 17th January 1991 not less than 60 per cent. of the pupils at the institution were receiving full-time education suitable to the requirements of persons over compulsory school age who have not attained the age of nineteen years.

(4) On the appointed day a body corporate shall be established, for each institution so specified, for the purpose of conducting the institution as from the operative date.

(5) The name given in the order under subsection (1) above as the name of the institution shall be the initial name of the body corporate.

(6) Where an educational institution, being an institution maintained by a local authority or a grant-maintained school, has been established since 1st November 1990 or, as the case may be, 17th January 1991 by a merger of two or more institutions existing on that date, the institution shall be treated as falling within subsection (2) or,
as the case may be, subsection (3) above if it would have done so if the merger had taken place before that date.

(7) In this section “the appointed day” means the day appointed under section 94 of this Act for the commencement of subsection (4) above.

### Textual Amendments

**F15** Words in Act substituted (5.5.2010) by The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities (Integration of Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1158), Sch. 2 para. 5(2)

### Commencement Information


### 16 Orders incorporating further institutions.

1. The Secretary of State may by order make provision for the establishment of a body corporate—
   1. (a) for the purpose of establishing and conducting an educational institution, or
   1. (b) for the purpose of conducting an existing educational institution, but shall not make an order in respect of an existing institution without the consent of the governing body.

2. Subsection (1) above does not apply to an institution which is maintained by a local authority.

3. The Secretary of State may by order make provision for the establishment of a body corporate for the purpose of conducting an institution which—
   3. (a) is maintained by a local authority, and
   3. (b) in his opinion, is principally concerned with the provision of full-time education suitable to the requirements of persons over compulsory school age who have not attained the age of nineteen years.

4. The name given in the order under this section as the name of the institution shall be the initial name of the body corporate.

5. An order under this section shall provide for the institution to be conducted by the body corporate as from the operative date.

### Textual Amendments

**F15** Words in Act substituted (5.5.2010) by The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities (Integration of Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1158), Sch. 2 para. 5(2)

**F16** S. 16(2)(3) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. and 1.4.2001 for W.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 111(1); S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C1** S. 16(1) modified (1.4.1993) by S.I. 1993/563, art. 2, Sch. 1

### Commencement Information

1. **S. 16** wholly in force at 30.9.1992 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 2
16A Publication of proposals

(1) The appropriate authority may not make an order under section 16(1) or (3) unless the authority has published a draft of the proposed order, or of an order in substantially the same form, by such time and in such manner as may be prescribed.

(2) A draft proposal or order in respect of an institution which is maintained by a local authority may not be published without the consent of the governing body and the local authority.

(3) In this section “the appropriate authority” means—

(a) in relation to a proposal or order in respect of an institution in England, the Secretary of State;

(b) in relation to a proposal or order in respect of an institution in Wales, the Welsh Ministers.

17 “Further education corporation” and “operative date”.

(1) In this Act “further education corporation” means a body corporate established under section 15 or 16 of this Act or which has become a further education corporation by virtue of section 33D or 47 of this Act.

(2) In this Part of this Act “operative date”, in relation to a further education corporation and the institution, means—

(a) in the case of a further education corporation established under section 15 of this Act, such date as the Secretary of State may by order appoint in relation to the corporations so established, and

(b) in the case of a further education corporation established under section 16 of this Act, such date as the Secretary of State may by order appoint in relation to that corporation.

18 Principal powers of a further education corporation.

(1) A further education corporation may—

(a) provide further and higher education, and
[F20(aa) provide secondary education [F21suitable to the requirements of persons who have attained the age of fourteen years],

(ab) provide education which is secondary education by virtue of section 2(2B) of the M1Education Act 1996 (definition of secondary education),

(ac) participate in the provision of secondary education at a school,]

(b) supply goods or services in connection with their provision of education,

[F22and those powers are referred to in section 19 of this Act as the corporation’s principal powers].

[F23(1A) A further education corporation may not provide education of a kind specified in subsection (1)(aa), (ab) or (ac) above unless they have consulted such [F15local authorities] as they consider appropriate.]

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1) above, goods are supplied in connection with the provision of education by a further education corporation if they result from—

(a) their provision of education or anything done by them under this Act for the purpose of or in connection with their provision of education,

(b) the use of their facilities or the expertise of persons employed by them in the fields in which they are so employed, or

(c) ideas of a person employed by them, or of one of their students, arising out of their provision of education.

(3) For the purposes of that subsection, services are supplied in connection with the provision of education by a further education corporation if—

(a) they result from their provision of education or anything done by them under this Act for the purpose of or in connection with their provision of education,

(b) they are provided by making available their facilities or the expertise of persons employed by them in the fields in which they are so employed, or

(c) they result from ideas of a person employed by them, or of one of their students, arising out of their provision of education.

Textual Amendments

F15 Words in Act substituted (5.5.2010) by The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities (Integration of Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1158), Sch. 2 para. 5(2)

F20 S. 18(1)(aa)-(ac) substituted for s. 18(1)(aa) (1.4.2001) by 2000 c. 21, s. 142(1)(a); S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

F21 Words in s. 18(1)(aa) substituted (1.10.2002 for E. and 19.12.2002 for W.) by Education Act 2002 (c. 32), s. 215(1), Sch. 21 para.11; S.I 2002/2439, [art. 3]; S.I. 2002/3185, art. 4

F22 Words after s. 18(1)(b) inserted (1.4.2001) by 2000 c. 21, ss. 149, Sch. 9 para. 21(a); S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

F23 S. 18(1A) inserted (1.4.2001) by 2000 c. 21, s. 142(1)(b); S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

F24 S. 18(4)-(6) repealed (28.7.2000 for certain purposes, 1.1.2001 for W., 1.4.2001 and 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, ss. 149, 153, Sch. 9 para. 21(b), Sch. 11; S.I. 2000/3230, art. 2, Sch.; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pts. II, III (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
19 Supplementary powers of a further education corporation.

(1) A further education corporation may do anything (including in particular the things referred to in subsections (2) to (4) below) which appears to the corporation to be necessary or expedient for the purpose of or in connection with the exercise of any of their principal powers.

(2) A further education corporation may conduct an educational institution for the purpose of carrying on activities undertaken in the exercise of their powers to provide further or higher education and, in particular, may assume as from the operative date the conduct of the institution in respect of which the corporation is established.

(3) A further education corporation may provide facilities of any description appearing to the corporation to be necessary or desirable for the purposes of or in connection with carrying on any activities undertaken in the exercise of their principal powers (including boarding accommodation and recreational facilities for students and staff and facilities to meet the needs of students having learning difficulties). 

(4) A further education corporation may—

(a) acquire and dispose of land and other property;
(b) enter into contracts, including in particular—

(i) contracts for the employment of teachers and other staff for the purposes of or in connection with carrying on any activities undertaken in the exercise of their principal powers, and
(ii) contracts with respect to the carrying on by the corporation of any such activities,

[bb] form, participate in forming or invest in a company,

(bc) form, participate in forming or otherwise become a member of a charitable incorporated organisation [within the meaning of Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011],

(c) borrow such sums as the corporation think fit for the purposes of carrying on any activities they have power to carry on or meeting any liability transferred to them under sections of this Act and, in connection with such borrowing, may grant any mortgage, charge or other security in respect of any land or other property of the corporation,

(d) invest any sums not immediately required for the purposes of carrying on any activities they have power to carry on,

(e) accept gifts of money, land or other property and apply it, or hold and administer it on trust for, any of those purposes, and
(f) do anything incidental to the conduct of an educational institution providing further or higher education, including founding scholarships or exhibitions, making grants and giving prizes.

A person has a learning difficulty if—

(a) he has a significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of persons of his age, or

(b) he has a disability which either prevents or hinders him from making use of facilities of a kind generally provided by institutions within the further education sector for persons of his age.

But a person is not to be taken to have a learning difficulty solely because the language (or form of language) in which he is or will be taught is different from a language (or form of language) which has at any time been spoken in his home.

A reference in this section to investing in a company includes a reference to becoming a member of the company and to investing in it by the acquisition of any assets, securities or rights or otherwise.

A further education corporation may provide advice or assistance to any other person where it appears to the corporation to be appropriate for them to do so for the purpose of or in connection with the provision of education by the other person.

Textual Amendments

F25 Words in s. 19(3) omitted (1.4.2001) by virtue of 2000 c. 21, s. 149, Sch. 9 para. 22(2); S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

F26 S. 19(4)(bb)(bc) substituted for s. 19(4)(bb) (23.10.2007) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), ss. 21(2), 32(1) (with s. 21(7))

F27 Words in s. 19(4)(bc) substituted (14.3.2012) by Charities Act 2011 (c. 25), s. 355, Sch. 7 para. 57 (with s. 20(2), Sch. 8)

F28 Word in s. 19(4)(c) substituted (26.5.2015) by Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(5)(a)

F29 Words in s. 19(4)(c) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 3(2); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F30 S. 19(4A) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 1(a), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(a)

F31 S. 19(4AA) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 1(b), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(a)

F32 S. 19(4AB) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 1(c), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(a)
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F34  S. 19(4B) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 1(d), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(a)

F35  S. 19(4C) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 1(e), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(a)

F36  S. 19(5) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 1(f), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(a)

F37  S. 19(6)(7) inserted (1.4.2001) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, Sch. 9 para. 22(5); S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. 1

F38  S. 19(8) inserted (23.10.2007) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), ss. 21(6), 32(1)

F39  S. 19(9) added (1.4.2010) by Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), ss. 256(2), 269(4); S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2

Commencement Information
15  S. 19 wholly in force at 30.9.1992 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 2

F40 19A Duty in relation to promotion of well-being of local area

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Textual Amendments
F40  S. 19A repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 4; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

20 Constitution of corporation and conduct of the institution.

(1) For every further education corporation established to conduct an educational institution there shall be—

(a) an instrument providing for the constitution of the corporation (to be known as the instrument of government), and

(b) an instrument in accordance with which the corporation, and the institution, are to be conducted (to be known as articles of government).

[F41(2) Instruments of government and articles of government of further education corporations—

(a) must comply with the requirements of Schedule 4, and

(b) subject to that, may make such other provision as may be necessary or desirable.]

(3) The validity of any proceedings of a further education corporation, or of any committee of the corporation, shall not be affected by a vacancy amongst the members or by any defect in the appointment or nomination of a member.

(4) Every document purporting to be an instrument made or issued by or on behalf of a further education corporation and to be duly executed under the seal of the corporation, or to be signed or executed by a person authorised by the corporation to act in that behalf, shall be received in evidence and be treated, without further proof, as being so made or issued unless the contrary is shown.
21 Initial instruments and articles.

(1) As from the date on which a further education corporation is established, the instrument of government and articles of government—

F42(a) .........................................................

F43 . . shall be such as is prescribed by regulations.

(2) Such F44 . . regulations—

(a) may provide for all or any of the persons who, on the date on which a corporation is established to conduct the F45 . . existing institution, are the members of the governing body of the institution to be the initial members of the corporation, and

(b) may make such other provision in relation to F46 . . existing institutions as appears to the Secretary of State necessary or desirable to secure continuity in their government.

(3) In the case of a further education corporation established to conduct an institution which, on the date the corporation was established, was [F47 a maintained school, the governing body incorporated under [F48 section 19 of the Education Act 2002]] shall, on the operative date, be dissolved.

Textual Amendments

F41 S. 20(2) substituted for s. 20(2)(2A) (1.9.2014) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 2(1), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(b)

Commencement Information

I6 S. 20 wholly in force at 30.9.1992 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 2
[F4922] **Subsequent instruments and articles**

A further education corporation may modify or replace their instrument of government or articles of government.

**Textual Amendments**

F49 S. 22 substituted for ss. 22, 22ZA (1.9.2014) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 2(3), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(b)

Commencement Information

I8 S. 22 wholly in force at 30.9.1992 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 2

[F5022A] **Charitable status of a further education corporation**

A further education corporation shall be a charity (and, in accordance with Schedule 3 to the Charities Act 2011, is an exempt charity for the purposes of that Act).

**Textual Amendments**

F50 S. 22A substituted (14.3.2012) by Charities Act 2011 (c. 25), s. 355, Sch. 7 para. 58 (with s. 20(2), Sch. 8) (with S.I. 2011/1396, Sch. para. 43(b))

**Transfer of property, etc., to further education corporations**

[F5123] **Transfer of property, etc.: institutions maintained by local authorities**

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**Textual Amendments**

F51 Ss. 23-26 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(2)

[F5124] **Provisions supplementary to section 23.**

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**Textual Amendments**

F51 Ss. 23-26 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(2)

[F5125] **Transfer of property, etc. from foundation bodies.**

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Transfer of staff to further education corporations.

Textual Amendments

F51 Ss. 23-26 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(2)

Dissolution of further education corporations

[FS27 Proposals for dissolution of further education corporations

(1) This section applies if a further education corporation propose that the corporation should be dissolved.

(2) The corporation must publish—
   (a) details of the proposal, and
   (b) such other information as may be prescribed by regulations made by the appropriate authority.

(3) The publication is to be in accordance with regulations made by the appropriate authority.

(4) The corporation must consult on the proposal, and take account of the views of those consulted, in accordance with regulations made by the appropriate authority.

(5) In this section, “the appropriate authority” means—
   (a) in relation to a further education corporation in England, the Secretary of State, and
   (b) in relation to a further education corporation in Wales, the Welsh Ministers.]

Textual Amendments

F52 Ss. 27-27B substituted for ss. 27-27C (1.8.2014 for specified purposes; 1.9.2014 in force in so far as not already in force) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 3, 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 2, art. 3(c)

Commencement Information

I9 S. 27 wholly in force at 30.9.1992, see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 2
[**F52**27A Dissolution of further education corporations

(1) This section and section 27B apply if, after complying with section 27, a further education corporation resolve that the corporation should be dissolved on a specified date.

(2) “The dissolution date” means the date specified in a resolution under subsection (1).

(3) The corporation must notify the appropriate authority of the resolution and the dissolution date as soon as reasonably practicable.

(4) The corporation are dissolved on the dissolution date.

(5) In this section, “the appropriate authority” has the meaning given in section 27.]

[**F53**27B Dissolution of further education corporations: transfer of property, rights and liabilities

(1) At any time before the dissolution date, the corporation may transfer any of their property, rights or liabilities to such person or body, or a person or body of such description, as may be prescribed by regulations made by the appropriate authority.

(2) The corporation may do so only with the consent of the person or body concerned.

(3) A transfer under subsection (1) has effect on the dissolution date.

(4) Subsection (5) applies if a person or body prescribed, or of a description prescribed, under subsection (1) is not a charity established for charitable purposes which are exclusively educational purposes.

(5) Any property transferred to the person or body must be transferred on trust to be used for charitable purposes which are exclusively educational purposes.

(6) In this section, “the appropriate authority” has the meaning given in section 27.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F52** Ss. 27-27B substituted for ss. 27-27C (1.8.2014 for specified purposes; 1.9.2014 in force in so far as not already in force) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 3, 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 2, art. 3(c)

**F53** S. 27A(6) inserted (31.1.2019) by Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (c. 19), ss. 37(2), 47(2); S.I. 2018/1161, reg. 3(a)
Restrictions on dissolution in insolvency situations

(1) A further education corporation have no power under section 27A to resolve that the corporation should be dissolved if—

(a) the corporation is in education administration under Chapter 4 of Part 2 of the Technical and Further Education Act 2017,

(b) a voluntary arrangement in relation to the corporation has been proposed under Part 1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and the matter has not been finally concluded,

(c) the corporation is in administration under Part 2 of the Insolvency Act 1986,

(d) paragraph 44 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 applies (interim moratorium on proceedings where application to the court for an administration order has been made), or

(e) the corporation is being wound up, whether voluntarily or by the court, under Part 4 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or a petition under that Part for winding up of the corporation by the court has been presented and not finally dealt with or withdrawn.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(b), the matter is finally concluded if—

(a) no meetings are to be summoned under section 3 of the Insolvency Act 1986,

(b) meetings summoned under that section fail to approve the arrangement with no, or the same, modifications,

(c) an arrangement approved by meetings summoned under that section, or in consequence of a direction under section 6(4)(b) of that Act, has been fully implemented, or

(d) the court makes an order under section 6(5) of that Act revoking approval given at previous meetings and, if the court gives any directions under section 6(6) of that Act, the corporation has done whatever it is required to do under those directions.

(3) In this section—

(a) a reference to paragraph 44 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 is to that paragraph as it applies to a further education corporation by virtue of—

(i) section 6 of the Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (application of normal insolvency procedures), or

(ii) Schedule 3 to the Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (special education administration);

(b) any other reference to a provision of the Insolvency Act 1986 is to that provision as it applies to a further education corporation by virtue of section 6 of the Technical and Further Education Act 2017.
Designation of institutions for funding by the councils

28 Designation of institutions.

(1) The Secretary of State may by order designate any educational institution principally concerned with the provision of one or both of the following—
   (a) full-time education suitable to the requirements of persons over compulsory school age who have not attained the age of nineteen years, and
   (b) courses of further or higher education,
   if the institution meets the requirements of subsection (2) below.

(2) The institution must be one of the following—
   (a) a voluntary aided school (other than one belonging to a group of schools for which a foundation body acts under section 21 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998),
   (b) an institution which is grant-aided or eligible to receive aid by way of grant or
   (c) an institution established for the purpose of being principally concerned with the provision of one or both of the kinds of education specified in subsection (1) above.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (2)(c) above an institution is grant-aided or eligible to receive aid by way of grant if it is maintained by persons other than local authorities who—
   (a) receive any grants under regulations made under section 485 of the Education Act 1996, or
   (b) are eligible to receive such grants.

(3A) The Secretary of State shall not make an order under this section in respect of a voluntary aided school without the consent of the governing body and the local authority.

(4) In this Part of this Act “designated institution” means an institution in relation to which a designation under this section has effect.
Government and conduct of designated institutions

29  (1) This section applies to a designated institution, other than—

(a) an institution conducted by a company, or

(b) an institution conducted by an unincorporated association, if the order designating the institution provides for its exemption.

(2) For each designated institution to which this section applies, there is to be—

(a) an instrument providing for the constitution of a governing body of the institution (to be known as the instrument of government), and

(b) an instrument in accordance with which the institution is to be conducted (to be known as the articles of government).

(3) In sections 29A to 29C—

“instrument” means an instrument of government or articles of government;

“regulatory instrument”, in relation to an institution, means—

(a) an instrument of government or articles of government, or

(b) any other instrument relating to or regulating the institution.

First post-designation instruments and articles of designated institutions

29A  (1) The first post-designation instrument and articles of government of a designated institution to which section 29 applies must each comply with subsection (3)...

(2) The “first post-designation instrument and articles of government” of a designated institution are the first instrument of government and articles of government that the institution has after the designation takes effect.

(3) The instrument must meet one of the following requirements—

(a) the instrument was in force when the designation took effect and is approved for the purposes of this section by the appropriate authority;

(b) the instrument—

(i) is made in pursuance of a power under a regulatory instrument or (where there is no such power) by the governing body of the institution, and

(ii) (in either case) is approved for the purposes of this section by the appropriate authority;

(c) the instrument is made by the appropriate authority by order.
(4) An instrument made by the governing body under subsection (3)(b) or the appropriate authority under subsection (3)(c) may replace wholly or in part an existing regulatory instrument.

(5) Before making an instrument under subsection (3)(c), the appropriate authority must, so far as it appears practicable to do so, consult—
   (a) the governing body of the institution, and
   (b) where there is power under a regulatory instrument to make the instrument, and that power is exercisable by persons other than the governing body of the institution, the persons by whom the power is exercisable.

(6) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

(7) In this section “the appropriate authority”—
   (a) in relation to an institution in England, means the Secretary of State;
   (b) in relation to an institution in Wales, means the Welsh Ministers.

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**Textual Amendments**

| F61  | Words in s. 29A heading omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 4(1)(e), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(d) |
| F62  | Words in s. 29A(1) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 4(1)(a), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(d) |
| F63  | S. 29A(6) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 4(1)(b), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(d) |

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**Changes to instruments and articles**

(1) This section applies to a designated institution to which section 29 applies.

(2) The governing body of the institution may modify or replace its instrument of government and articles of government.

(3) If the institution is in Wales and is an institution to which section 30 applies, the governing body may do any of the things mentioned in subsection (2) only with the consent of the trustees of the institution.

(4) The instrument of government and articles of government (as modified or replaced)—
   (a) must comply with the requirements of Schedule 4, and
   (b) subject to that, may make such other provision as may be necessary or desirable.

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**Textual Amendments**

| F64  | S. 29B substituted for ss. 29B, 29C (1.9.2014) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 4(2), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(d) |

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**Special provision for certain institutions.**

(1) Notwithstanding anything in sections 29 to [F6429B] of this Act, the instrument of government of a designated institution to which this section applies must provide—
(a) for the governing body of the institution to include persons appointed for the purpose of securing so far as practicable that the established character of the institution at the time of its designation is preserved and developed and, in particular, that the institution is conducted in accordance with any trust deed relating to it, and

(b) for the majority of members of the governing body to be such governors.

(2) This section applies to—

(a) an institution which, when designated, was a voluntary aided school, and

(b) an institution specified, or falling within a class specified, by the Secretary of State by order.

(3) The Secretary of State may specify an institution or a class of institutions only if the institution or each member of the class is principally concerned with the provision of the education specified in section 28(1)(a) above.

(4) The reference in subsection (1)(a) above to the established character of an institution is, in relation to an institution established shortly before or at the same time as being designated, a reference to the character which the institution is intended to have on its establishment.

31 Designated institutions conducted by companies.

(1) This section has effect in relation to any designated institution in Wales conducted by a company.

(2) The articles of association of the company shall incorporate—

(a) provision with respect to the constitution of a governing body of the institution (to be known as the instrument of government of the institution), and

(b) provision with respect to the conduct of the institution (to be known as the articles of government of the institution).

(3) The Secretary of State may give to the persons who appear to him to have effective control over the company such directions as he thinks fit for securing that—

(a) the articles of association of the company, or

(b) any rules or bye-laws made in pursuance of any power conferred by the articles of association of the company,

are amended in such manner as he may specify in the direction.

(4) No amendment of the articles of association of the company (other than one required under subsection (3)(a) above) shall take effect until it has been submitted to the Secretary of State for his approval and he has notified his approval to the company.
(5) Before giving any directions under subsection (3) above the Secretary of State shall consult the persons who appear to him to have effective control over the company.}

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| I12 | S. 31 wholly in force at 6.5.1992 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 1 |

### Textual Amendments

| F72 | S. 32 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(3) |

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| F73 | S. 33 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(3) |

### Textual Amendments

| F74 | Ss. 33A-33N and cross-heading inserted (12.1.2010 for the insertion of ss. 33A-33J, 33M, 33N, 1.4.2010 in so far as not already in force) by Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), s. 269(4), Sch. 8 para. 3; S.I. 2009/3317, art. 2, Sch.; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2 (with arts. 9-11) |
33A Initial designation of existing bodies corporate as sixth form college corporations

(1) The Secretary of State may by order designate a body corporate within subsection (2) as a sixth form college corporation, for the purpose of conducting an educational institution specified in the order.

(2) A body corporate is within this subsection if it is—
   (a) a further education corporation established in respect of an institution in England, or
   (b) a body corporate established by an order under section 143(4) of the Learning and Skills Act 2000 in respect of an institution in England.

(3) On the date specified in the order—
   (a) a body corporate within subsection (2)(a) ceases to be a further education corporation and becomes a sixth form college corporation;
   (b) a body corporate within subsection (2)(b) ceases to be subject to the order under section 143(4) of the Learning and Skills Act 2000 establishing it and becomes a sixth form college corporation;
   (c) in the case of a body corporate within subsection (2)(b), a designation under section 28 which has effect in relation to the relevant sixth form college ceases to have effect.

(4) An order under subsection (1) may—
   (a) make provision for the continuity of the body corporate, including provision for the continuation of the instrument and articles of government of the body and the relevant sixth form college;
   (b) make provision as to the initial name of the corporation as a sixth form college corporation.

(5) The power conferred by subsection (1)—
   (a) is exercisable only once;
   (b) is not exercisable after the date specified in an order made by the Secretary of State.

33B Subsequent designation of existing bodies corporate as sixth form college corporations

(1) The Secretary of State may by order designate a body corporate within subsection (2) as a sixth form college corporation, for the purpose of conducting an educational institution specified in the order.

(2) A body corporate is within this subsection if it is—
   (a) a further education corporation established in respect of an institution in England, or
   (b) a body corporate established by an order under section 143(4) of the Learning and Skills Act 2000 in respect of an institution in England.

(3) An order under subsection (1) may be made only if—
   (a) an application for the order has been made by the governing body of the institution mentioned in subsection (2)(a) or (b), and
   (b) the institution is one within subsection (4).
(4) An institution is within this subsection if it appears to the Secretary of State that on the date on which the application is made at least 80% of its total enrolment number will be persons over compulsory school age but under 19.

(5) The total enrolment number of an institution is to be calculated in accordance with paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 3.

(6) On the date specified in the order—
   (a) a body corporate within subsection (2)(a) ceases to be a further education corporation and becomes a sixth form college corporation;
   (b) a body corporate within subsection (2)(b) ceases to be subject to the order under section 143(4) of the Learning and Skills Act 2000 establishing it and becomes a sixth form college corporation;
   (c) in the case of a body corporate within subsection (2)(b), a designation under section 28 which has effect in relation to the relevant sixth form college ceases to have effect.

(7) An order under subsection (1) may—
   (a) make provision for the continuity of the body corporate, including provision for the continuation of the instrument and articles of government of the body and the relevant sixth form college;
   (b) make provision as to the initial name of the corporation as a sixth form college corporation.

(8) The power conferred by subsection (1) is exercisable only after the date specified in an order under section 33A(5)(b).

33C Establishment of new bodies corporate as sixth form college corporations

(1) The Secretary of State may by order make provision for the establishment of a body corporate as a sixth form college corporation, for the purpose of establishing and conducting an educational institution specified in the order.

(2) An order under subsection (1) may be made only if—
   (a) a proposal relating to the order has been made by a person or body (the proposer) and it appears to the Secretary of State that the requirements in subsection (3) have been met in relation to the proposal, and
   (b) it appears to the Secretary of State that the institution will when established be one within subsection (4).

(3) The requirements are that—
   (a) the proposer has published the proposal by the prescribed time and in the prescribed manner;
   (b) the proposal as published contained prescribed information;
   (c) the proposer has considered any representations about the proposal made to the proposer within the prescribed period.

(4) An institution is within this subsection if—
   (a) the institution is in England, and
   (b) on the date on which it is proposed to be established, at least 80% of its total enrolment number will be persons over compulsory school age but under 19.
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(5) The total enrolment number of an institution is to be calculated in accordance with paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 3.

(6) An order under subsection (1)—

(a) must provide for the institution to be established and conducted by the body corporate as from the date specified in the order;

(b) may make provision as to the initial name of the corporation as a sixth form college corporation.

### Textual Amendments

| F75 | Words in s. 33C(2) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 11(2); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |
| F76 | Words in s. 33C(3)(a) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 11(3); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |
| F77 | Words in s. 33C(3)(c) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 11(4)(a); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |
| F78 | Words in s. 33C(3)(c) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 11(4)(b); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |

33D  Conversion of sixth form college corporations into further education corporations

(1) The Secretary of State may by order convert a sixth form college corporation into a further education corporation.

(2) An order under subsection (1) may be made only if—

(a) an application for the order has been made by the governing body of the relevant sixth form college. F79

(3) An application under subsection (2)(a) may not be made during the period of two years beginning with the date on which the body's designation or establishment as a sixth form college corporation takes effect.

(4) On the date specified in the order, the body ceases to be a sixth form college corporation and becomes a further education corporation.

(6) An order under subsection (1) may—

(a) make provision for the continuity of the body corporate, including provision for the continuation of the instrument and articles of government of the body and the relevant sixth form college;

(b) make provision as to the initial name of the corporation as a further education corporation.

### Textual Amendments

| F79 | S. 33D(2)(b) and preceding word omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 6(a) |
### 33E Principal powers of a sixth form college corporation

(1) A sixth form college corporation may do any of the following—

(a) provide further and higher education,

(b) provide secondary education suitable to the requirements of persons who have attained the age of 14,

(c) provide education which is secondary education by virtue of section 2(2B) of the Education Act 1996,

(d) participate in the provision of secondary education at a school,

(e) supply goods or services in connection with their provision of education.

(2) The powers conferred by subsection (1) and (in the case of a sixth form college corporation to which section 33J applies) section 33J(1A) are referred to in section 33F as the corporation’s principal powers.

(3) A sixth form college corporation may not provide education of a kind specified in subsection (1)(b), (c) or (d) unless they have consulted such local authorities as they consider appropriate.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (1), goods are supplied in connection with the provision of education by a sixth form college corporation if they result from—

(a) their provision of education or anything done by them under this Act for the purpose of or in connection with their provision of education,

(b) the use of their facilities or the expertise of persons employed by them in the fields in which they are so employed, or

(c) ideas of a person employed by them, or one of their students, arising out of their provision of education.

(5) For the purposes of subsection (1), services are supplied in connection with the provision of education by a sixth form college corporation if—

(a) they result from their provision of education or anything done by them under this Act for the purpose of or in connection with their provision of education,

(b) they are provided by making available their facilities or the expertise of persons employed by them in the fields in which they are so employed, or

(c) they result from ideas of a person employed by them, or of one of their students, arising out of their provision of education.

### 33F Supplementary powers of a sixth form college corporation

(1) A sixth form college corporation may do anything (including in particular the things referred to in subsections (2) to (6)) which appears to the corporation to be necessary or
expedient for the purpose of or in connection with the exercise of any of their principal powers.

(2) A sixth form college corporation may conduct an educational establishment for the purpose of carrying on activities undertaken in the exercise of their powers to provide further or higher education.

(3) In particular, a sixth form college corporation may conduct the relevant sixth form college as from the date specified in the order designating or establishing the corporation as a sixth form college corporation.

(4) A sixth form college corporation may provide facilities of any description appearing to the corporation to be necessary or desirable for the purposes of or in connection with carrying on any activities undertaken in the exercise of their principal powers.

(5) The facilities include—
   (a) boarding accommodation and recreational facilities for students and staff, and
   (b) facilities to meet the needs of students with learning difficulties.

(6) A sixth form college corporation may—
   (a) acquire and dispose of land and other property,
   (b) enter into contracts, including in particular—
      (i) contracts for the employment of teachers and other staff for the purposes of or in connection with carrying on any activities undertaken in the exercise of their principal powers, and
      (ii) contracts with respect to the carrying on by the corporation of any such activities,
   (c) form, participate in forming or invest in a company,
   (d) form, participate in forming or otherwise become a member of a charitable incorporated organisation [F82{within the meaning of Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011}],
   (e) borrow such sums as the corporation think fit for the purposes of—
      (i) carrying on any activities they have power to carry on, or
      (ii) meeting any liability transferred to them under sections 23 to [F8327C or 33P],
   (f) in connection with their borrowing, grant any mortgage, charge or other security in respect of any land or other property of the corporation,
   (g) invest any sums not immediately required for the purpose of carrying on any activities they have power to carry on,
   (h) accept gifts of money, land or other property and apply it, or hold and administer it on trust for, any of those purposes,
   (i) do anything incidental to the conduct of an educational institution providing further or higher education, including founding scholarships or exhibitions, making grants and giving prizes.

F84(7) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

(8) For the purposes of this section a person has a learning difficulty if—
   (a) the person has a significantly greater difficulty in learning than the majority of persons of the same age, or
(b) the person has a disability which either prevents or hinders the person from making use of facilities of a kind generally provided by institutions within the further education sector for persons of the same age.

(9) But a person is not to be taken to have a learning difficulty solely because the language (or form of language) in which the person is or will be taught is different from a language (or form of language) which has at any time been spoken in the person’s home.

(10) A reference in this section \(^{F85}\) to investing in a company includes a reference to becoming a member of the company and to investing in it by the acquisition of any assets, securities or rights or otherwise.

(11) A sixth form college corporation may provide advice or assistance to any other person where it appears to the corporation to be appropriate for them to do so for the purpose of or in connection with the provision of education by the other person.

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### Textual Amendments

| F82 | Words in s. 33F(6)(d) substituted (14.3.2012) by Charities Act 2011 (c. 25), s. 355, Sch. 7 para. 60 (with s. 20(2), Sch. 8) |
| F83 | Words in s. 33F(6)(e)(ii) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 13(a); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |
| F84 | S. 33F(7) omitted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 13(b); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |
| F85 | Words in s. 33F(10) omitted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 13(c); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |

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### 33G Further provision about supplementary powers

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| F86 | S. 33G repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 14; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |

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### 33H Duty in relation to promotion of well-being of local area

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| F87 | S. 33H repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 15; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 |

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### 33I Constitution of sixth form college corporation and conduct of sixth form college

(1) For every sixth form college corporation there is to be—
(a) an instrument providing for the constitution of the corporation (to be known as the instrument of government), and
(b) an instrument in accordance with which the corporation, and the relevant sixth form college, are to be conducted (to be known as articles of government).

(2) Instruments of government and articles of government—

(a) must comply with the requirements of Schedule 4, and
(b) subject to that, may make such other provision as may be necessary or desirable.

(3) Subsection (2) is subject to section 33J.

(4) The validity of any proceedings of a sixth form college corporation, or of any committee of the corporation, is not affected by—

(a) a vacancy among the members, or
(b) a defect in the appointment or nomination of a member.

(5) Subsection (6) applies to a document purporting to be an instrument made or issued by or on behalf of a sixth form college corporation and to be—

(a) duly executed under the seal of the corporation, or
(b) signed or executed by a person authorised by the corporation to act in that behalf.

(6) The document is to be received in evidence and treated, without further proof, as being made or issued by or on behalf of the corporation unless the contrary is shown.

Textual Amendments

F88 Words in s. 33I(2)(a) omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), s. 11(2), Sch. 2 para. 1(b); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(h)

F89 S. 33I(2)(b) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 16(b); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

33J Special provision for certain institutions

(1) Despite anything in section 33I, the instrument of government of a sixth form college corporation to which this section applies must provide—

(a) for the governing body of the relevant sixth form college to include persons appointed for the purpose of securing so far as practicable that the established character of the sixth form college is preserved and developed and, in particular, that the sixth form college is conducted in accordance with any trust deed relating to it, and
(b) for the majority of members of the governing body of the relevant sixth form college to be such governors.

[ A sixth form college corporation to which this section applies may (accordingly)

(1A) conduct the relevant sixth form college in a way that secures that the established character of the sixth form college is preserved and developed (and, in particular, in a way that is in accordance with any trust deed relating to the college).]
(2) This section applies to a sixth form college corporation in respect of which the relevant sixth form college is specified, or falls within a class specified, by the Secretary of State by order.

(3) The references in subsections (1)(a) and (1A) to the established character of a sixth form college are, in relation to a sixth form college established shortly before or at the same time as the designation or establishment of the sixth form college corporation in respect of which it is the relevant sixth form college, to the character which the sixth form college is intended to have on its establishment.

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33K Instrument and articles of new sixth form college corporations

(1) The first instrument of government and articles of government of a sixth form college corporation established under section 33C are to be made by the Secretary of State by order.

(2) An order under subsection (1) may not be made unless—

(a) the Secretary of State has consulted the corporation, and

(b) in the case of a sixth form college corporation to which section 33J applies, the trustees of the relevant sixth form college have given their consent.

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33L Changes to instruments and articles

(1) A sixth form college corporation may modify or replace their instrument of government or articles of government.

(2) A sixth form college corporation to which section 33J applies may do the things mentioned in subsection (1) only with the consent of the trustees of the relevant sixth form college.

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Charitable status of a sixth form college corporation

A sixth form college corporation is a charity \(^{f96}\) ... \(^{f97}\) (and, as a result of its inclusion in Schedule 3 to the Charities Act 2011, is an exempt charity for the purposes of that Act).\]

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**Textual Amendments**

\(^{f96}\) Words in s. 33M omitted (14.3.2012 immediately before the Charities Act 2011 (c. 25) comes into force) by virtue of The Charities (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/1396), art. 1, Sch. paras. 37(1)(2)(f)

\(^{f97}\) Words in s. 33M substituted (14.3.2012) by Charities Act 2011 (c. 25), s. 355, Sch. 7 para. 61 (with s. 20(2), Sch. 8)

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**Proposals for dissolution of sixth form college corporations**

1. This section applies if a sixth form college corporation propose that the corporation should be dissolved.
2. The corporation must publish details of the proposal, and such other information as may be prescribed, in accordance with regulations.
3. The corporation must consult on the proposal, and take account of the views of those consulted, in accordance with regulations.

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**Textual Amendments**

\(^{f98}\) Ss. 33N-33P substituted for s. 33N (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 20; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 (with art. 6)

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**Dissolution of sixth form college corporations**

1. This section and section 33P apply if, after complying with section 33N, a sixth form college corporation resolve that the corporation should be dissolved on a specified date.
2. “The dissolution date” means the date specified in a resolution under subsection (1).
3. The corporation must notify the Secretary of State of the resolution and the dissolution date as soon as reasonably practicable.
4. The corporation are dissolved on the dissolution date.

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**Textual Amendments**

\(^{f98}\) Ss. 33N-33P substituted for s. 33N (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 20; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 (with art. 6)

\(^{f99}\) S. 33O(5) inserted (31.1.2019) by Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (c. 19), ss. 38(2), 47(2); S.I. 2018/1161, reg. 3(a)
33P Dissolution of sixth form college corporations: transfer of property, rights and liabilities

(1) At any time before the dissolution date, the corporation may transfer any of their property, rights or liabilities to such person or body, or a person or body of such description, as may be prescribed, subject to subsection (4).

(2) The corporation may do so only with the consent of the person or body concerned.

(3) A transfer under subsection (1) has effect on the dissolution date.

(4) In the case of a sixth form college corporation to which section 33J applies, any property held by the corporation on trust for the purposes of the relevant sixth form college must be transferred to the trustees of the relevant sixth form college.

(5) Subsection (6) applies if a person or body prescribed, or of a description prescribed, under subsection (1) is not a charity established for charitable purposes which are exclusively educational purposes.

(6) Any property transferred to the person or body must be transferred on trust to be used for charitable purposes which are exclusively educational purposes.

(7) Subsection (6) does not apply to property transferred to the person or body by virtue of subsection (4).

Textual Amendments
F98 Ss. 33N-33P substituted for s. 33N (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 20; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2 (with art. 6)

33Q Restrictions on dissolution in insolvency situations

(1) A sixth form college corporation have no power under section 33O to resolve that the corporation should be dissolved if—
   (a) the corporation is in education administration under Chapter 4 of Part 2 of the Technical and Further Education Act 2017,
   (b) a voluntary arrangement in relation to the corporation has been proposed under Part 1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and the matter has not been finally concluded,
   (c) the corporation is in administration under Part 2 of the Insolvency Act 1986,
   (d) paragraph 44 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 applies (interim moratorium on proceedings where application to the court for an administration order has been made), or
   (e) the corporation is being wound up, whether voluntarily or by the court, under Part 4 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or a petition under that Part for winding up of the corporation by the court has been presented and not finally dealt with or withdrawn.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(b), the matter is finally concluded if—
   (a) no meetings are to be summoned under section 3 of the Insolvency Act 1986,
   (b) meetings summoned under that section fail to approve the arrangement with no, or the same, modifications,
(c) an arrangement approved by meetings summoned under that section, or in consequence of a direction under section 6(4)(b) of that Act, has been fully implemented, or

(d) the court makes an order under section 6(5) of that Act revoking approval given at previous meetings and, if the court gives any directions under section 6(6) of that Act, the corporation has done whatever it is required to do under those directions.

(3) In this section—

(a) a reference to paragraph 44 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 is to that paragraph as it applies to a sixth form college corporation by virtue of—

(i) section 6 of the Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (application of normal insolvency procedures), or

(ii) Schedule 3 to the Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (special education administration);

(b) any other reference to a provision of the Insolvency Act 1986 is to that provision as it applies to a sixth form college corporation by virtue of section 6 of the Technical and Further Education Act 2017.

Textual Amendments

F100 S. 33Q inserted (31.1.2019) by Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (c. 19), ss. 38(3), 47(2); S.I. 2018/1161, reg. 3(a)

Property, rights and liabilities: general

F101 Making additional property available for use.

Textual Amendments

F101 S. 34 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(4)

F102 Voluntary transfers of staff in connection with section 34.

Textual Amendments

F102 S. 35 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(5)

F103 General provisions about transfers under Chapter II.
Textual Amendments

F103 S. 36 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(5)

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F104 37 Attribution of surpluses and deficits.

F105 38 Payments ... in respect of loan liabilities.

F106 39 Control of disposals of land.

F107 40 Wrongful disposals of land.

F108 41 Control of contracts.
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42 Wrongful contracts.

43 Remuneration of employees.

44 Collective worship.

(1) This section applies to any institution within the further education sector which is principally concerned with the provision of full-time education suitable to the requirements of persons over compulsory school age who have not attained the age of nineteen years.

(2) An institution is of voluntary origin for the purposes of this section if—

(a) immediately before it joined the further education sector it was a voluntary school (within the meaning of the Education Act 1996),

(b) immediately before it joined the further education sector it was a foundation or voluntary school (within the meaning of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998) having a foundation established otherwise than under that Act,

(c) it is designated for the purposes of this paragraph by order of the Secretary of State, or

(d) it is formed by or for the purpose of merging two institutions both of which were within paragraphs (a) to (c).

(2A) The governing body of an institution to which this section applies shall ensure that at an appropriate time on at least one day in each week during which the institution is open an act of collective worship is held at the institution which persons receiving education at the institution may attend.]
(3) In an institution of voluntary origin such act of collective worship shall —
   (a) be in such forms as to comply with the provisions of any trust deed affecting
       the institution, and
   (b) reflect the religious traditions and practices of the institution before it
       joined the further education sector.

(4) In all other institutions to which this section applies such act of collective worship
    shall be wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character in that it shall reflect
    the broad traditions of Christian belief but need not be distinctive of any particular
    Christian denomination.

(5) If the governing body of an institution to which this section applies considers it
    appropriate to do so it may in addition to the act of collective worship referred to in
    subsection (3) or (4) provide for acts of worship which reflect the practices of some
    or all of the other religious traditions represented in Great Britain.

(7) In the application of this section to an institution which is of voluntary origin by
    virtue of subsection (2)(d), subsection (3)(b) shall be taken as referring to the religious
    traditions and practices of the two institutions mentioned in subsection (2)(d).}
45 Religious education.

[F117](1) This section applies to any institution to which section 44 of this Act applies.

(2) An institution is of voluntary origin for the purposes of this section if it is of voluntary origin for the purposes of section 44 of this Act.

(2A) The governing body of an institution to which this section applies shall ensure that religious education is provided at the institution for all persons attending the institution who wish to receive it.

(3) The governing body of [F118]an institution to which this section applies[ shall be deemed to be fulfilling its duty under this section if religious education is provided at a time or times at which it is convenient for the majority of full time students to attend.

(4) For the purposes of this section religious education may take the form of a course of lectures or classes or of single lectures or classes provided on a regular basis and may include a course of study leading to an examination or the award of a qualification.

(5) The form and content of religious education provided pursuant to this section shall be determined from time to time by the governing body of [F119]an institution to which this section applies[ and—

(a) in the case of an institution of voluntary origin—

(i) shall be in accordance with the provisions of any trust deed affecting the institution, and

(ii) shall not be contrary to the religious traditions of the institution before it [F120]joined the further education sector[;

(b) in the case of all [F121]other institutions to which this section applies[ shall reflect the fact that the religious traditions in Great Britain are in the main Christian whilst taking account of the teaching and practices of the other principal religions represented in Great Britain.

[F122]6) .................. .............................................

[F127](7) In the application of this section to an institution which is an institution of voluntary origin by virtue of section 44(2)(d), subsection (5)(a)(ii) shall be taken as referring to the religious traditions and practices of the two institutions mentioned in section 44(2)(d).]

Textual Amendments

F117 S. 45(2)-(2A) substituted for s. 44(1)(2) (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, Sch. 9 para. 28(2); S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. III (with transitional provisions in art. 3)

F118 Words in s. 45(3) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, Sch. 9 para. 28(3); S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. III (with transitional provisions in art. 3)

F119 Words in s. 45(5) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, Sch. 9 para. 28(4)(a); S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. III (with transitional provisions in art. 3)

F120 Words in s. 45(5)(a)(ii) substituted (1.10.2000 for E. for specified purposes, 1.4.2001 for W. and otherwise 1.9.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, Sch. 9 para. 28(4)(b); S.I. 2000/2559, art. 2(1), Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. III (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
46 Variation of trust deeds.

(1) The Secretary of State may by order make such modifications as he thinks fit in any trust deed or other instrument—
   (a) relating to or regulating an institution within the further education sector, or
   (b) relating to any land or other property held by any person for the purposes of such an institution.

(2) Before making any modifications under subsection (1) above of any trust deed or other instrument the Secretary of State shall so far as it appears to him to be practicable to do so consult—
   (a) the governing body of the institution,
   (b) where that deed or instrument, or any other instrument relating to or regulating the institution concerned, confers power on any other persons to modify or replace that deed or instrument, those persons, and
   (c) where the instrument to be modified is a trust deed and the trustees are different from the persons mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b) above, the trustees.

47 Transfer of higher education institutions to further education sector.

(1) The Secretary of State may by order provide for the transfer of a higher education corporation to the further education sector.

(2) Where an order is made under this section in respect of a higher education corporation, sections 20 and 21 of this Act shall have effect as if, on the date the order has effect, the corporation were established as a further education corporation; and the order may make provision as to the initial name of the corporation as a further education corporation.
(3) On such date as may be specified in the order the corporation shall cease to be a higher education corporation and become a further education corporation.

(4) An order under section 28 of this Act in respect of any institution may revoke any order in respect of that institution under section 129 of the Education Reform Act 1988 (designation of institutions).

**Textual Amendments**

F124 Words in s. 47(2) substituted (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 140(1), Sch. 30 para.43 (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch.1.

**Commencement Information**

I16 S. 47 wholly in force at 1.4.1993 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 3

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M2 1988 c. 40.

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48 **Statutory conditions of employment.**

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**Textual Amendments**

F125 S. 48 repealed (1.10.2002) by Education Act 2002 (c. 32), s. 215, Sch. 21 para. 18, Sch. 22 Pt. 1; S.I. 2002/2439, art. 2

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49 **Avoidance of certain contractual terms.**

(1) This section applies to any contract made between the governing body of an institution within the further education sector and any person employed by them, not being a contract made in contemplation of the employee’s pending dismissal by reason of redundancy.

(2) In so far as a contract to which this section applies provides that the employee—

(a) shall not be dismissed by reason of redundancy, or

(b) if he is so dismissed, shall be paid a sum in excess of the sum which the employer is liable to pay to him under [F126Part XI of the Employment Rights Act 1996],

the contract shall be void and of no effect.

**Textual Amendments**

F126 Words in s. 49(2)(b) substituted (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 18, ss. 240, 243, Sch. 1 para. 52(3) (with ss. 191-195, 202)

**Commencement Information**

I17 S. 49 wholly in force at 1.4.1993 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 3
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49A Consultation

In exercising their functions the governing body of an institution within the further education sector in Wales must have regard to any guidance given from time to time by the Welsh Ministers about consultation with—

(a) persons who are or are likely to become students of the institution, or

(b) employers,
in connection with the taking of decisions affecting them.

Any guidance under this section about consultation with persons falling within paragraph (a) of subsection (1) must provide for the views of such a person to be considered in the light of his age and understanding.

Destinations

The Secretary of State may provide destination information to the governing body of an institution in England within the further education sector.

The Welsh Ministers may provide destination information to the governing body of an institution in Wales within the further education sector.

In this section “destination information”, in relation to an institution, means information which—

(a) relates to a former student of the institution, and

(b) includes information as to prescribed activities of the former student after leaving the institution.

Regulations under subsection (3)(b) which prescribe activities as to which the Welsh Ministers may provide information are to be made by the Welsh Ministers.

Subject to subsection (6)(a), information received under this section is not to be published in any form which identifies the individual to whom it relates.

This section—

(a) does not affect any power to provide or publish information which exists apart from this section, and

(b) is subject to any express restriction on the provision of information imposed by another enactment.]
50 Information with respect to institutions within the further education sector.

(1) The Secretary of State may by regulations require the governing body of any institution within the further education sector to publish such information as may be prescribed about—

(a) the educational provision made or proposed to be made for their students,

(b) the educational achievements of their students on entry to the institution and the educational achievements of their students while at the institution (including in each case the results of examinations, tests and other assessments),

(c) the financial and other resources of the institution and the effectiveness of the use made of such resources, and

(d) the careers of their students after completing any course or leaving the institution.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(d) above, a person’s career includes any education, training, employment or occupation; and the regulations may in particular require the published information to show—

(a) the numbers of students not undertaking any career, and

(b) the persons providing students with education, training or employment.

(3) The information shall be published in such form and manner and at such times as may be prescribed.

(4) The published information shall not name any student to whom it relates.

(5) In this section “prescribed” means prescribed by regulations.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C5 S. 50(1) modified (1.4.1993) by S.I. 1993/563, art. 2, Sch.2

Commencement Information

I18 S. 50 wholly in force at 1.4.1993 see s. 94(3) and S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 3

Publication of proposals.
51A Duty to provide for named individuals: England

(1) This section applies to an institution in England within the further education sector which provides education suitable to the requirements of persons over compulsory school age but under the age of 19.

(2) A \[F15\] local authority may by notice given to the governing body of such an institution

(a) require them to provide specified individuals with such education falling within subsection (1) as is appropriate to the individuals’ abilities and aptitudes;

(b) withdraw such a requirement.

(3) A \[F15\] local authority may specify an individual in a notice under subsection (2) only if the individual—

(a) is in the authority’s area, and

(b) is over compulsory school age but under the age of 19.

(4) Before giving a notice under subsection (2) imposing a requirement on a governing body, a \[F15\] local authority must consult—

(a) the governing body, and

(b) such other persons as the authority think appropriate.

(5) The governing body of an institution within subsection (1) must secure compliance with a requirement that has been imposed under subsection (2) and has not been withdrawn.

(6) In deciding whether to require a particular institution to provide education to a particular individual under subsection (2) a \[F15\] local authority in England must have regard to any guidance given from time to time by the Secretary of State.]
Duty to provide for named individuals[\textsuperscript{F133}; Wales]

(1) This section applies where an institution \textsuperscript{F134}in Wales\textsuperscript{F135} within the further education sector provides \textsuperscript{F135}... education suitable to the requirements of persons over compulsory school age who have not attained the age of nineteen years.

(2) \textsuperscript{F136}The \textsuperscript{F137}... National Assembly for Wales\textsuperscript{F139} may by notice given to the governing body of such an institution—

(a) require them to provide for such individuals as may be specified in the notice such education falling within subsection (1) above as is appropriate to their abilities and aptitudes, or

(b) withdraw such a requirement.

(3) The governing body of such an institution shall, for any academic year in respect of which they receive financial support from \textsuperscript{F138}the \textsuperscript{F139}... National Assembly for Wales\textsuperscript{F139} under subsection (2) above and has not been withdrawn.
Duty to safeguard pupils receiving secondary education.

(1) This section applies where secondary education is provided to persons of compulsory school age—

(a) by a further education corporation by virtue of section 18(1)(aa) or (ab) of this Act, or

(b) by a sixth form college corporation by virtue of section 33E(1)(b) or (c) of this Act,

or

(b) by a designated institution in pursuance of arrangements made—

(i) by a local authority, or

(ii) by the governing body of a school on behalf of such an authority.

(2) The governing body of the corporation or institution shall secure that, except in such circumstances as may be prescribed by regulations, no education is provided to a person who has attained the age of nineteen years in a room in which any persons of compulsory school age are for the time being receiving secondary education.

53 Inspection of accounts.

(1) The accounts of—

(a) any further education corporation,

(b) any sixth form college corporation,

shall be open to the inspection of the Comptroller and Auditor General.

(2) In the case of any such corporation or institution—

(a) the power conferred by subsection (1) above, and

(b) the powers under sections 6 and 8 of the National Audit Act 1983 (examinations into the economy, efficiency and effectiveness of certain bodies and access to documents and information) conferred on the Comptroller and Auditor General by virtue of section 6(3)(c) of that Act, shall be exercisable only in, or in relation to accounts or other documents which relate to, any financial year in which expenditure is incurred by the corporation, or by the governing body of the institution in question, in respect of which grants, loans or other payments are made to them under section 15ZA or 18A of the Education Act.
54 Duty to give information.

(1) Each of the following must give the Secretary of State such information as the Secretary of State may require for purposes connected with further education—

(a) a local authority in England,

(b) the governing body of any institution maintained by a local authority in England,

(c) the governing body of a city technology college in England, a city college for the technology of the arts in England or an Academy,

(d) the governing body of any institution in England within the further education sector or the higher education sector, and

(e) any person or body who—

(i) provides further education, and

(ii) is receiving or has received funding to do so from the Secretary of State, a local authority in England or a combined authority.

(2) Each of the following must give the Welsh Ministers such information as the Welsh Ministers may require for the purposes of the exercise of any of the Welsh Ministers' functions under any enactment—

(a) a local authority,
(b) the governing body of any institution maintained by a local authority, and
(c) the governing body of any institution within the further education sector or the higher education sector.

[^F152](3) Such information relating to the provision which has been made by a [^F15]local authority] in respect of any pupil at an institution as the authority may require for the purposes of claiming any amount in respect of the pupil from another authority under [^F153]regulations under section 492 or 493 of the Education Act 1996] shall, where the institution becomes an institution within the further education sector, be provided to the authority by the governing body of the institution.

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**Textual Amendments**

F155 Words in Act substituted (5.5.2010) by The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities (Integration of Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1158), Sch. 2 para. 5(2)

F151 S. 54(1)(2) substituted for s. 54(1) (12.11.2018) by Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (c. 19), ss. 40(2), 47(2); S.I. 2018/1161, reg. 2

F152 S. 54(2) renumbered as s. 54(3) (12.11.2018) by Technical and Further Education Act 2017 (c. 19), ss. 40(3), 47(2); S.I. 2018/1161, reg. 2

F153 Words in s. 54(2) substituted (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(1), 583(2), Sch. 37 Pt. I para. 111 (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)

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55 Inspection etc. of[^F15]local authority] institutions, other than schools, and advice to Secretary of State.

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[^F154](3) ........................................

(4) In relation to any [^F15]local authority] institution maintained or assisted by them, a [^F15]local authority]—

(a) shall keep under review the quality of education provided, the educational standards achieved and whether the financial resources made available are managed efficiently, and

(b) may cause an inspection to be made by persons authorised by them.

(5) A [^F15]local authority] shall not authorise any person to inspect any institution under this section unless they are satisfied that he is suitably qualified to do so.

(6) A person who wilfully obstructs any person authorised to inspect an institution under or by virtue of this section in the exercise of his functions shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

(7) In this section—

[^F155](a) ........................................

[^F155](b) ........................................

[^F155](c) “[^F15]local authority] institution” means an educational institution, other than a school, maintained or assisted by a [^F15]local authority].
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F15   Words in Act substituted (5.5.2010) by The Local Education Authorities and Children’s Services Authorities (Integration of Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1158), Sch. 2 para. 5(2)

F154  S. 55(1)-(3) repealed (1.4.2001) by 2000 c. 21, ss. 149, 153, Sch. 9 para. 32, Sch. II; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

F155  S. 55(7)(a)(b) repealed (1.4.2001) by 2000 c. 21, ss. 149, 153, Sch. 9 para. 32, Sch. II; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

Modifications etc. (not altering text)


Commencement Information

I22   S. 55 wholly in force; s. 55 not in force at Royal assent see s. 94(3); s. 55(1)-(3) (as respects England only) and s. 55(4)-(6)(7)(a)(c) in force at 1.4.1993 by S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 3; s. 55(1)(2)(3)(7)(b) in force at 1.8.1996 so far as not already in force by S.I. 1996/1897, art. 3

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Textual Amendments

F156  S. 56 repealed (1.4.2001) by 2000 c. 21, ss. 149, 153, Sch. 9 para. 33, Sch. II (with s. 150); S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3); S.I. 2001/1274, art. 2, Sch. Pt. I

[F156A Intervention: England

[F155] (1) This section applies if the Secretary of State is satisfied as to one or more of the matters listed in subsection (2) in the case of—

(a) an institution in England within the further education sector, other than a sixth form college, or

(b) an institution in England which is maintained by a local authority and provides further education, other than an institution within the higher education sector, and, in either case, it is immaterial whether or not a complaint is made by any person.

(2) The matters are—

(a) that the institution's affairs have been or are being mismanaged by the institution's governing body;

(b) that the institution's governing body have failed to discharge any duty imposed on them by or for the purposes of any Act;

(c) that the institution's governing body have acted or are proposing to act unreasonably with respect to the exercise of any power conferred or the performance of any duty imposed by or under any Act;

(d) that the institution is performing significantly less well than it might in all the circumstances reasonably be expected to perform, or is failing or likely to fail to give an acceptable standard of education or training.
(3) If this section applies the [F159Secretary of State] may do one or more of the things listed in subsection (6).

F160(4) ..............................................................

(5) [F161At the same time as doing one or more of those things the [F162Secretary of State] must] give the institution's governing body a notice stating—
(a) the matter or matters listed in subsection (2) as to which the [F162Secretary of State] is satisfied;
(b) the reasons why the [F162Secretary of State] is so satisfied;
(c) the reasons why the [F162Secretary of State] has decided to do that thing or those things.

(6) The [F162Secretary of State] may—
(a) remove all or any of the members of the institution's governing body;
(b) appoint new members of that body if there are vacancies (however arising);
(c) give to that body such directions [F163as the [F162Secretary of State] thinks] expedient as to the exercise of their powers and performance of their duties.

(7) The directions that may be given to a governing body under this section include [F164—
(a) a direction requiring a governing body to make collaboration arrangements (within the meaning of section 166 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006) with such bodies and on such terms as may be specified in the direction.
(b) a direction requiring a governing body to make a resolution under section 27A(1) for the body to be dissolved on a date specified in the direction.]

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A governing body to which a direction such as is mentioned in subsection (7)(b) is given is to be taken for the purposes of section 27A(1) to have complied with section 27 before making the resolution required by the direction.]

(8) Directions may be given to a governing body under this section despite any enactment making the exercise of a power or performance of a duty contingent on the body's opinion.

F167(9) The Secretary of State may not give a direction to a governing body under subsection (6)(c) which relates to the dismissal of a member of staff.

F168(10) ..............................................................

(11) A governing body must comply with any directions given to them under this section.

(12) An appointment of a member of a governing body under this section shall have effect as if made in accordance with the instrument of government and articles of government of the institution concerned.]

Textual Amendments

F157 Ss. 56A-56C inserted (23.12.2007 for the insertion of s. 56B, 18.4.2008 in so far as not already in force) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), ss. 17, 32(5); S.I. 2007/3505, arts. 2(c), 5

F158 S. 56A(1) substituted (26.5.2015) by Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(b), Sch. 15 para. 7

F159 Words in s. 56A(3) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(3); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F160  S. 56A(4) omitted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(4); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F161  Words in s. 56A(5) substituted (1.4.2010) by Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), s. 269(4), Sch. 6 para. 7(4)(a); S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2

F162  Words in s. 56A(5)(6) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(5); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F163  Words in s. 56A(6)(c) substituted (1.4.2010) by Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), s. 269(4), Sch. 6 para. 7(5)(b); S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2

F164  Words in s. 56A(7) inserted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(6); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F165  S. 56A(7)(b) inserted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(6); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F166  S. 56A(7A) inserted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(6); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F167  S. 56A(9) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(7); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F168  S. 56A(10) omitted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 25(8); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F169  S. 56AA repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 26; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F170  S. 56B repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 27; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F171  S. 56C repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 28; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F172 Notification by local authority or YPLA of possible grounds for intervention

Textual Amendments
F172 S. 56D repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 29; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

[F173] 56E Intervention by [F174] Secretary of State]: sixth form colleges

(1) This section applies in relation to a sixth form college if the [F175] Secretary of State is] satisfied as to one or more the matters listed in subsection (2) in relation to the sixth form college; and it is immaterial whether or not a complaint is made by any person.

(2) The matters are—
   (a) that the sixth form college's affairs have been or are being mismanaged by its governing body;
   (b) that the sixth form college's governing body have failed to discharge any duty imposed on them by or for the purposes of any Act;
   (c) that the sixth form college's governing body have acted or are proposing to act unreasonably with respect to the exercise of any power conferred or the performance of any duty imposed by or under any Act;
   (d) that the sixth form college is performing significantly less well than it might in all the circumstances reasonably be expected to perform, or is failing or likely to fail to give an accepted standard of education or training.

(3) If this section applies the [F176] Secretary of State] may do one or more of the things listed in subsection (6).

[F177] (4) Subsections (4A) and (4B) apply to a sixth form college which is specified, or falls within a class specified, in an order under section 33J(2).

(4A) Before doing one or more of the things listed in subsection (6), the Secretary of State must consult—
   (a) the trustees of the sixth form college, and
   (b) each person or body with power under the college's instrument of government to appoint or nominate one or more of its foundation governors.

(4B) After carrying out a consultation under subsection (4A), the Secretary of State must give the persons and bodies consulted a notice stating—
   (a) what the Secretary of State has decided to do;
   (b) the reasons for the decision.

(5) If the [F178] Secretary of State does one or more of the things listed in subsection (6), the Secretary of State ] must at the same time give the sixth form college's governing body a notice stating—
   (a) the matter or matters listed in subsection (2) as to which the [F179] Secretary of State is] satisfied;
   (b) the reasons why the [F180] Secretary of State has] decided to do that thing or those things.

(6) [F181] The Secretary of State may—
(a) remove all or any of the members of the sixth form college's governing body;
(b) appoint new members of that body if there are vacancies (however arising);
(c) give to that body such directions as the Secretary of State thinks expedient as to the exercise of the body's powers and performance of the body's duties.

(7) The directions that may be given to a governing body under this section include—

(a) a direction requiring a governing body to make collaboration arrangements (within the meaning of section 166 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006) with such bodies and on such terms as may be specified in the direction.
(b) a direction requiring a governing body to make a resolution under section 33O(1) for the body to be dissolved on a date specified in the direction.

(7A) A governing body to which a direction such as is mentioned in subsection (7)(b) is given is to be taken for the purposes of section 33N before making the resolution required by the direction.

(8) Directions may be given to a governing body under this section despite any enactment making the exercise of a power or performance of a duty contingent on the body's opinion.

(9) The Secretary of State may not give a direction to a governing body under subsection (6)(c) which relates to the dismissal of a member of staff.

(10) A governing body must comply with any directions given to them under this section.

(11) An appointment of a member of a governing body under this section shall have effect as if made in accordance with the governing body's instrument of government and articles of government.

Textual Amendments

F173 Ss. 56E-56J inserted (1.4.2010) by Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (c. 22), s. 269(4), Sch. 8 para. 8; S.I. 2010/303, art. 3, Sch. 2
F174 Words in s. 56E heading substituted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(10); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F175 Words in s. 56E(1) substituted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(2); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F176 Words in s. 56E(3) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(3); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F177 S. 56E(4)-(4B) substituted for s. 56E(4) (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(4); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F178 Words in s. 56E(5) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(5) (a); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F179 Words in s. 56E(5)(a) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(5)(b); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F180 Words in s. 56E(5)(b) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(5)(c); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F181 Words in s. 56E(6) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(6) (a); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2
F182  Words in s. 56E(6)(c) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(6)(b); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F183  Words in s. 56E(7) inserted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(7); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F184  S. 56E(7)(b) inserted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(7); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F185  S. 56E(7A) inserted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(7); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F186  S. 56E(9) substituted (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(8); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F187  S. 56E(10) omitted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 30(9); S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F188  56F Appointment by local authorities of members of sixth form college governing body

Textual Amendments
F188  S. 56F repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 31; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F189  56G Intervention policy: sixth form colleges

Textual Amendments
F189  S. 56G repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 32; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F190  56H Intervention by YPLA

Textual Amendments
F190  S. 56H repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 33; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F191  56I Appointment by YPLA of members of sixth form college governing body

Textual Amendments
Textual Amendments
F191 S. 56I repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 34; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

F19256J Notification by Chief Executive of Skills Funding of possible grounds for intervention

Textual Amendments
F192 S. 56J repealed (1.4.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 12 para. 35; S.I. 2012/924, art. 2

[F19457 Intervention [F193; Wales]]

(1) This section applies if one or more of the conditions listed in subsection (2) is satisfied regarding an institution [F193 in Wales] within the further education sector; and it is immaterial whether or not a complaint is made by any person.

(2) These are the conditions—
(a) [F196 the Welsh Ministers are] satisfied that the institution’s affairs have been or are being mismanaged by its governing body;
(b) [F197 they are] satisfied that the institution’s governing body have failed to discharge any duty imposed on them by or for the purposes of any Act [F198 or any Measure of the National Assembly for Wales];
(c) [F199 they are] satisfied that the institution’s governing body have acted or are proposing to act unreasonably with respect to the exercise of any power conferred or the performance of any duty imposed by or under any Act [F200 or any Measure of the National Assembly for Wales];
(d) they are satisfied that the institution is performing significantly less well than it might in all the circumstances reasonably be expected to perform, or is failing or likely to fail to give an acceptable standard of education or training.

(3) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

(4) If this section applies [F203 the Welsh Ministers] may by order—
(a) declare which of the conditions is (or are) satisfied, and
(b) do one or more of the things listed in subsection (5).

(5) [F204 They may]—
(a) remove all or any of the members of the institution’s governing body;
(b) appoint new members of that body if there are vacancies (however arising);
(c) give to that body such directions as [F205 they think] expedient as to the exercise of their powers and performance of their duties.

[F206 (5A) The directions that may be given to a governing body under this section include [F207 —]
(a) a direction requiring a governing body to exercise powers under section 5(2) (b) to (f) and (h) of the Education (Wales) Measure 2011 to collaborate with such persons and on such terms as may be specified in the direction.]

(b) a direction requiring a governing body to make a resolution under section 27A(1) for the body to be dissolved on a date specified in the direction.]

A governing body to which a direction such as is mentioned in subsection (5A)(b) is given is to be taken for the purposes of section 27A(1) to have complied with section 27 before making the resolution required by the direction.]

Directions may be given to a body under this section despite any enactment making the exercise of a power or performance of a duty contingent on the body’s opinion.

The Welsh Ministers may not direct a governing body under subsection (5)(c) to dismiss a member of staff.

But subsection (6A) does not prevent the Welsh Ministers, where they consider that it may be appropriate to dismiss a member of staff whom the governing body have power under their institution's articles of government to dismiss, from giving the governing body such directions under this section as are necessary to secure that the procedures applicable to the consideration of the case for dismissal of that member of staff are given effect to in relation to that member of staff.

A governing body must comply with any directions given to them under this section.

An appointment of a member of a governing body under this section shall have effect as if made in accordance with the instrument of government and articles of government of the institution concerned.

Textual Amendments

F193 Words in s. 57 heading inserted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(7); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F194 S. 57 substituted (1.1.2001 for W. and 1.4.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 21, s. 149, Sch. 9 para. 34 (with s. 150); S.I. 2000/3230, art. 2, Sch.; S.I. 2001/654, art. 2, Sch. Pt. II (with transitional provisions in art. 3)
F195 Words in s. 57(1) inserted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(2); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F196 Words in s. 57(2)(a) substituted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(3)(a); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F197 Words in s. 57(2)(b) substituted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(3)(b); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F198 Words in s. 57(2)(b) inserted (1.9.2009) by Learner Travel (Wales) Measure 2008 (nawm 2), s. 28(2), Sch. 1 para. 3(2); S.I. 2009/371, art. 2(2), Sch. Pt. 2
F199 Words in s. 57(2)(c) substituted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(3)(b); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F200 Words in s. 57(2)(c) inserted (1.9.2009) by Learner Travel (Wales) Measure 2008 (nawm 2), s. 28(2), Sch. 1 para. 3(3); S.I. 2008/371, art. 2(2), Sch. Pt. 2
F201 S. 57(2)(d) substituted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), ss. 18(2), 32(3); S.I. 2008/983, art. 2
F202 S. 57(3) repealed (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(4), Sch. 2; S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)(d)
Changes to legislation: Further and Higher Education Act 1992, Part I is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 19 September 2019. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes

F203 Words in s. 57(4) substituted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(5); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F204 Words in s. 57(3) substituted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(6)(a); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F205 Words in s. 57(3)(c) substituted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), s. 32(5), Sch. 1 para. 9(6)(b); S.I. 2008/1065, art. 2(c)
F206 S. 57(5A) inserted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), ss. 18(3), 32(3); S.I. 2008/983, art. 2
F207 Word in s. 57(5A) inserted (1.9.2014) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 5(2)(a), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(e)
F208 S. 57(5A)(b) and word inserted (1.9.2014) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 5(2)(b), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(e)
F209 S. 57(5B) inserted (1.9.2014) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 5(3), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(e)
F210 S. 57(6A)(6B) inserted (18.4.2008) by Further Education and Training Act 2007 (c. 25), ss. 18(4), 32(3); S.I. 2008/983, art. 2
F211 S. 57(9) repealed (7.6.2005) by Inquiries Act 2005 (c. 12), s. 51(1), Sch. 2 para. 13, Sch. 3 (with ss. 44, 50); S.I. 2005/1432, art. 2

Modifications etc. (not altering text)
C11 S. 57(3)(4) amended (22.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1274, art. 3(4)(b)

F212 57A Intervention policy: Wales

Textual Amendments
F212 S. 57A omitted (1.9.2014) by virtue of Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), ss. 5(4), 11(2); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(e)

F213 58 Reorganisations of schools involving establishment of further education corporation.

Textual Amendments
F213 S. 58 omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(h), Sch. 15 para. 4(5)(e)

F214 59

Textual Amendments
F214 S. 59 repealed (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 582(2)(3), 583(2), Sch. 38 Pt.1 (with ss. 1(4), 561, 562, Sch. 39)
60 Saving as to persons detained by order of a court.

Textual Amendments
F215 S. 60 repealed (1.10.2002 for E. and 19.12.2002 for W.) by Education Act 2002 (c. 32), s. 215, Sch. 21 para. 21, Sch. 22 Pt. 3; S.I. 2002/2439, art. 3; S.I. 2002/3185, art. 4, Sch. Pt. 1

F216 60A ........................................

Textual Amendments

61 Interpretation of Part I.

(1) In this Part of this Act—
   “functions” includes powers and duties,
   “modifications” includes additions, alterations and omissions and
   “modify” shall be construed accordingly, and
   “regulations” means regulations made by the Secretary of State [F217 or the Welsh Ministers].

(2) References in this Part of this Act, except section 26, to the transfer of any person’s rights or liabilities do not include—
   (a) rights or liabilities under a contract of employment, or
   (b) liabilities of that person in respect of compensation for premature retirement of any person formerly employed by him.

(3) In relation to any time before the commencement of section 65 of this Act, references in this Part of this Act and, so far as relating to this Part, Part III of this Act—
   (a) to institutions within the higher education sector are to universities, to institutions within the PCFC funding sector and to higher education institutions which receive, or are maintained by persons who receive, grants under regulations made under section 100(1)(b) of the Education Act 1944, and
   (b) ........................................

Textual Amendments
F217 Words in s. 61(1) inserted (1.9.2014) by Further and Higher Education (Governance and Information) (Wales) Act 2014 (anaw 1), s. 11(2), Sch. 2 para. 1(e); S.I. 2014/1706, art. 3(h)
F218 S. 61(3)(b) omitted (1.4.2018) by virtue of Higher Education and Research Act 2017 (c. 29), s. 124(5), Sch. 11 para. 13; S.I. 2018/241, reg. 2(s)
### Modifications etc. (not altering text)


### Commencement Information

**I23** S. 61 wholly in force at 6.5.1992 see s. 94(3) and [S.I. 1992/831, art. 2, Sch. 1](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1992/831)

### Marginal Citations

**M4** [1944 c. 31](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1944/31)

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**61A References to appropriate bodies**

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### Textual Amendments

**F219** S. 61A omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of [Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(3)(g), Sch. 14 para. 38](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2015/20/contents)
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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):
- s. 16(6) inserted by 2007 c. 25 s. 14(4)
- s. 17(2)(aa) inserted by 2007 c. 25 s. 14(5)(b)
- s. 27(3A)(3B) inserted by 2007 c. 25 s. 15(4)
- s. 27(9) inserted by 2007 c. 25 s. 15(7)
- s. 51(1)-(2A) substituted for s. 51(1)(2) by 2007 c. 25 s. 16(2)
- s. 76(8)(9) inserted by 2017 c. 29 s. 52(4)
- s. 85D inserted by 2009 c. 22 s. 247
- s. 85D(7) words inserted by S.I. 2016/413 reg. 140 (This amendment comes into force on the day that section 85D of the Further and Higher Education Act 1992 (c. 13) comes into force. That provision is still prospective.)