
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This is the second commencement order made by the Welsh Ministers under the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009.

Article 2 of the Order brings into force on 1 January 2010 those provisions of the Measure specified in Schedule 1 to the Order.

Article 3(1) of the Order brings into force on 1 April 2010 those provisions of the Measure specified in Schedule 2 to the Order. Article 3(2) to (4) of the Order saves the effect of certain of the provisions of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1999 (the “1999 Act”) for the purpose of enabling the Auditor General for Wales to carry out inspections of compliance by Welsh best value authorities with the requirements of that Part of the 1999 Act. Article 3(5) saves the effect of sections 15 and 29(4) of the 1999 Act for the purposes of any directions issued under section 15 of the 1999 Act. These provisions will remain in force until 1 April 2011 or until such time as the directions issued before that date are withdrawn or expire, whichever is the latest. Article 3(5) also saves the effect of sections 15 and 29(4) for the purpose of issuing a further direction under section 15 after 1 April 2011, but before the expiry of any direction issued before that date.

Article 4 of the Order brings into force on 1 April 2011 those provisions of the Measure specified in Schedule 3 to the Order.