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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2021 No. 88 (W. 25)**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WALES  
REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE, WALES**

The Local Government (Coronavirus)  
(Postponement of Elections) (Miscellaneous  
Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2021

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>27 January 2021</i>
<i>Laid before Senedd Cymru</i>		<i>28 January 2021</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>29 January 2021</i>

The Welsh Ministers make these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 67 and 68 of the Coronavirus Act 2020<sup>(1)</sup>.

**Title and commencement**

1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2021.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 29 January 2021.

**Amendment of the Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Wales) Regulations 2020**

2.—(1) The Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Wales) Regulations 2020<sup>(2)</sup> are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 2, in the definition of “the relevant period”, for “31 January 2021” substitute “28 February 2021”.

(3) In regulation 3(1), for “1 February 2021 and ending on 16 April 2021” substitute “1 March 2021 and ending on 6 May 2021”.

(4) In regulation 4(1), for “1 February 2021 and ending on 16 April 2021” substitute “1 March 2021 and ending on 6 May 2021”.

(5) In regulation 5(1)(a), for “31 January 2021” substitute “28 February 2021”.

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(1) 2020 c. 7.

(2) S.I. 2020/461 (W. 105).

**Amendment of the Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2020**

3.—(1) The Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2020<sup>(3)</sup> are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 3—

- (a) in the definition of “a postponed poll”, for “1 February 2021 and ending on 16 April 2021” substitute “1 March 2021 and ending on 6 May 2021”, and
- (b) in the definition of “the relevant period”, for “31 January 2021” substitute “28 February 2021”.

(3) In regulation 9(1), for “31 January 2021” substitute “28 February 2021”.

27 January 2021

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations further postpone certain local government by-elections as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

These postponed by-elections were due to be held during the period from 1 February 2021 to 16 April 2021, but will now take place during the period from 1 March 2021 to 6 May 2021.

Regulation 2 amends relevant dates in the Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Wales) Regulations 2020.

Regulation 3 amends relevant dates in the Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Wales) (No. 2) Regulations 2020.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to these Regulations. As a result, it was not considered necessary to carry out a regulatory impact assessment as to the likely costs and benefits of complying with these Regulations.