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PART 3

PROMOTING ACCESS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT

CHAPTER 2

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN DECISION-MAKING BY PRINCIPAL COUNCILS

Principal council's petition scheme

42 Duty to make petition scheme

- (1) A principal council must make and publish a scheme (a “petition scheme”) setting out how the council intends to handle and respond to petitions (including electronic petitions).
- (2) A petition scheme must, in particular, set out—
 - (a) how a petition may be submitted to the council;
 - (b) how and by when the council will acknowledge receipt of a petition;
 - (c) the steps the council may take in response to a petition received by it;
 - (d) the circumstances (if any) in which the council may take no further action in response to a petition;
 - (e) how and by when the council will make available its response to a petition to the person who submitted the petition and to the public.
- (3) A principal council must review its petition scheme from time to time and, if the council considers it appropriate, revise the scheme.

- (4) If a principal council revises or replaces a petition scheme, it must publish the revised or new scheme.