

# Islands (Scotland) Act 2018

#### PART 4

#### REPRESENTATION OF ISLAND COMMUNITIES

### Local government elections

## 20 Review of wards in certain local government areas

- (1) As soon as practicable after the commencement of this section, the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland ("Boundary Commission") must—
  - (a) review the electoral arrangements for each local government area mentioned in subsection (2), for the purpose of considering future electoral arrangements for those areas, and
  - (b) formulate proposals for those arrangements.
- (2) The local government areas are the areas of—
  - (a) Argyll and Bute Council,
  - (b) Comhairle nan Eilean Siar,
  - (c) Highland Council,
  - (d) North Ayrshire Council,
  - (e) Orkney Islands Council,
  - (f) Shetland Islands Council.
- (3) Part 2 of the 1973 Act applies to a review under subsection (1) as it applies to a review under section 16 of that Act except that section 17 of that Act has effect as if it required the Boundary Commission to submit a report on the review before such date as the Scottish Ministers may direct.
- (4) The review under subsection (1) is to be disregarded for the purposes of calculating the intervals between the Boundary Commission reviews of electoral arrangements under section 16(2) of the 1973 Act (duty to review electoral arrangements).
- (5) In this section, "1973 Act" means the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.