

SCHEDULE 19

Article 21

Variation of the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority Combination Scheme

1. In paragraph 2 of the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Authority Combination Scheme, after the definition of “constituent authorities”, insert—

““relevant police and crime commissioner” means a police and crime commissioner—

- (a) whose area is the same as, or contains all of, the combined area, or
- (b) all or part of whose area falls within the combined area”.

2. In paragraph 6 of that Scheme—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1), for “paragraph 7” substitute “paragraphs 7 and 7A”;
- (b) for sub-paragraph (2) substitute—

“(2) The members of the Authority are to be appointed in accordance with this Part.”.

3. In paragraph 7, after sub-paragraph (2), insert—

“(3) Each representative appointed by a constituent authority under sub-paragraph (1) must be appointed from its own members.”.

4. After that paragraph, insert—

7A.—(1) The Authority may appoint a relevant police and crime commissioner to be a member of the Authority.

(2) But the Authority may only make such an appointment in response to a request from the commissioner.

(3) If the Authority receives a request from a relevant police and crime commissioner, it must—

- (a) consider the request,
- (b) give reasons for its decision to agree to or refuse the request, and
- (c) publish those reasons in such manner as it thinks appropriate.

7B.—(1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where a relevant police and crime commissioner—

- (a) is appointed as a member of the Authority, and
- (b) arranges, under section 18 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, for another person to attend a meeting of the Authority on the commissioner’s behalf.

(2) Where this sub-paragraph applies, the person attending the meeting on behalf of the commissioner may speak at that meeting but—

- (a) may not vote, and
- (b) is not to be treated as a member of the Authority for any purpose.”.

5. In paragraph 8 of that Scheme, after “the Authority” insert “appointed by a constituent authority”.

6. After that paragraph, insert—

8A.—(1) A relevant police and crime commissioner appointed as a member of the Authority under paragraph 7A—

- (a) comes into office on the date of that appointment, and

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(b) continues to be a member of the Authority until the commissioner’s term of office comes to an end in accordance with section 50(7)(b) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (“the 2011 Act”).

(2) But if a vacancy arises in the office of the relevant police and crime commissioner (see section 59 of the 2011 Act) before the end of that term, the commissioner ceases to be a member of the Authority on the date on which the vacancy in the office is regarded under section 59(1) of the 2011 Act as occurring.

(3) This paragraph is subject to paragraphs 9 and 11.”.

7. In paragraph 12 of that Scheme—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (1), after “the Authority”, in the first place it appears, insert “appointed by a constituent authority”;
- (b) in sub-paragraph (3), after “the Authority”, in the first place it appears, insert “appointed by a constituent authority”.

8. In paragraph 17 of that Scheme for “to 103” substitute “, 102(1) to (5), 103”.