#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### 2024 No. 131

## The Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) Order 2017 (Amendment) Regulations 2024

#### PART 2

Amendment of the Combined Authorities (Mayoral Elections) Order 2017

#### **Schedule 1 (the Combined Authority Mayoral Elections Rules)**

- 11.—(1) Schedule 1 (the combined authority mayoral elections rules) is amended as follows.
- (2) In the heading, omit "Combined Authority".
- (3) In the contents list, in the entry for rule 57, for "Combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA";
- (4) In rule 1 (citation), omit "Combined Authority".
- (5) In the following provisions for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA"—
  - (a) in rule 5 (Notice of Election and provision of information to calculate election expense limits), in paragraphs (1) and (5);
  - (b) in rule 6 (nomination of candidates), in paragraph (2);
  - (c) in rule 7 (nomination papers: name of registered political party) in paragraphs (1)(b) and (3)(b).
- (6) In rule 8 (subscription of nomination paper)—
  - (a) in paragraph (6) for "combined authority" in both places where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA";
  - (b) in paragraph (7)—
    - (i) in the definition of "elector", for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA";
    - (ii) for the definition of "relevant constituent council" substitute—
      - ""relevant constituent council"—
      - (a) in relation to a combined authority, means a district council which is a constituent council, or in the case of an area for which there is no district council, the county council, and
      - (b) in relation to a combined county authority, means a constituent council.".
- (7) In rule 9 (consent to nomination) in paragraph (1)—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (b) at the beginning insert "where the election is a combined authority mayoral election,";
  - (b) after sub-paragraph (b) insert—
    - "(ba) where the election is a combined county authority mayoral election, is in the appropriate form in the Appendix or a form to the like effect and includes a copy of paragraphs 8 and 9 of Schedule 2 to the 2023 Act, section 34 of the Localism

Act 2011(1), section 30 of the Elections Act 2022 and, where the combined county authority mayor is to exercise functions of a police and crime commissioner in accordance with regulations made under Schedule 3 to the 2023 Act, sections 64 to 68 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011(2),".

- (8) In rule 10 (deposits) for "combined authority" in each place where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA".
  - (9) In rule 11 (place for delivery of nomination papers and right to attend nomination)—
    - (a) in paragraph (1)—
      - (i) for "combined area" substitute "CA/CCA";
      - (ii) after "authority" insert "or, as the case may be, combined county authority,";
    - (b) in paragraphs (2) and (8), for "combined authority" in each place where those words occur, substitute "CA/CCA".
- (10) In the following provisions for "combined authority" in each place where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA"—
  - (a) rule 12 (decisions as to validity of nomination papers and home address forms);
  - (b) rule 13 (publication of statement of persons nominated);
  - (c) rule 14 (correction of minor errors);
  - (d) rule 15 (withdrawal of candidature).
- (11) In rule 20 (the official mark), in paragraph (2), at the end insert "or, as the case may be, combined county authority".
  - (12) In rule 23 (notice of poll), in paragraph (1), for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA".
  - (13) In rule 27 (issue of official poll cards), in paragraph (3)—
    - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), after "authority" insert "or combined county authority";
    - (b) in sub-paragraph (b), after "election" insert "or, as the case may be, combined county authority mayoral election,".
  - (14) In rule 28 (equipment of polling stations)—
    - (a) in paragraph (6)—
      - (i) in the opening words, for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA";
      - (ii) in sub-paragraph (b), at the beginning insert "where the election is a combined authority mayoral election";
      - (iii) after sub-paragraph (b) insert—
        - "(ba) where the election is a combined county authority mayoral election, the following notice which must be exhibited in every compartment of every polling station—

"\*[Specify name of combined county authority] COMBINED COUNTY AUTHORITY MAYORAL ELECTION

Vote for ONLY ONE CANDIDATE by putting a cross [x] in the box next to your choice.

<sup>(1) 2011</sup> c. 20.

<sup>(2) 2011</sup> c. 13. Section 64 was amended by section 8(10) and (11) of the Wales Act 2017 (c. 4); by paragraph 6(4) of Schedule 8 to the Elections Act 2022 (c. 37); and by S.I. 2017/470. Section 65 was amended by paragraph 184 of Schedule 8 to the Crime and Courts Act 2013 (c. 22); by paragraph 73(2) of Schedule 9 to the Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3); and by S.I. 2015/1526, 2021/1265. Section 66 was amended by paragraph 90 of Schedule 1 and paragraph 117 of Schedule 2 to the Policing and Crime Act 2017; by paragraph 7 of Schedule 5 to the Elections Act 2022; and by S.I. 2015/1526, 2021/1265. Section 68 was amended by paragraph 6(5) of Schedule 8 to the Elections Act 2022.

# PUT NO OTHER MARK ON THE BALLOT PAPER OR YOUR VOTE MAY NOT COUNT.

\*Complete as necessary.""

- (b) in paragraph (7), for "combined authority" in both places where those words occur, substitute "CA/CCA".
- (15) In rule 29 (appointment of polling and counting agents), in paragraph (8) for "(5)" substitute "(7)".
  - (16) In rule 32 (admission to polling station)—
    - (a) in paragraph (1)(h), for "combined authority" in both places where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA";
    - (b) in paragraph (4), for "combined authority" in both places where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA".
- (17) In rule 35 (questions to be put to voters), in paragraph (1), in the Table, in the first and second entries in the third column (question), in question (b), after "mayor" insert "or a combined county authority mayor".
  - (18) In rule 37 (voting procedure), in paragraph (1I)(b)(i) omit "constituent".
- (19) In rule 41 (tendered ballot papers general provisions), in paragraph (5)(b), after "relating" insert "to".
- (20) In rule 41B (collection and disclosure of information relating to applications made under rules 37 to 40)(3), in paragraph (11)(b) omit "constituent".
  - (21) In rule 46 (attendance at verification)—
    - (a) in paragraph (3)—
      - (i) in sub-paragraph (f), for "combined authority" in both places where those words occur, substitute "CA/CCA";
      - (ii) in the closing words, for "papers" substitute "paper accounts";
    - (b) in paragraph (4)—
      - (i) in the opening words, for "papers" substitute "paper accounts";
      - (ii) in sub-paragraph (a) for "counting of the votes" substitute "conduct of those proceedings".
  - (22) In rule 47 (procedure at verification of ballot paper accounts)—
    - (a) in paragraph (6)—
      - (i) for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA";
      - (ii) omit "this" the second place it occurs;
    - (b) in paragraph (8), for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA".
- (23) In the following provisions for "combined authority" in each place where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA"—
  - (a) rule 48 (additional steps: verification and count carried out at different places), in paragraphs (3) to (5);
  - (b) rule 49 (attendance at the count), in paragraph (2);
  - (c) rule 51 (rejected ballot papers), in paragraph (6);
  - (d) rule 54 (procedure at conclusion of count), in paragraph (2)(b);
  - (e) rule 57 (combined authority returning officer's re-count), including in the heading.

<sup>(3)</sup> Rule 41B was inserted by S.I. 2022/1382.

- (24) In rule 59 (returning officer's final statement, central calculation and declaration of result)—
  - (a) in paragraphs (1) to (9), for "combined authority" in each place where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA":
  - (b) in paragraph (11), in the closing words—
    - (i) for "combined authority" in the first place where those words occur substitute "CA/ CCA";
    - (ii) after "mayor" insert "or, as the case may be, combined county authority mayor";
  - (c) in paragraphs (12), (15) and (16), for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA";
  - (d) in paragraph (17)—
    - (i) for "combined authority" in the first place where those words occur substitute "CA/ CCA";
    - (ii) after "combined authority" in the second place where those words occur insert "or, as the case may be, combined county authority,".
- (25) In rule 60 (return or forfeiture of candidate's deposit)—
  - (a) in paragraphs (3)(a) and (4), for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA";
  - (b) in paragraph (5), after "authority" insert "or, as the case may be, combined county authority".
- (26) In rule 61 (sealing up of ballot papers), in paragraph (1) omit ", including ballot papers rejected in part".
- (27) In rule 62 (delivery and retention of documents), for "constituent authority" substitute "council".
- (28) In rule 63 (orders for production of documents), in paragraph (1)(a), omit ", including ballot papers rejected in part,".
- (29) In rule 64A (destruction of home address forms), for "combined authority" substitute "CA/CCA".
- (30) In rule 65 (countermand or abandonment of poll on death of a candidate), in paragraph (1), for "combined authority" in both places where those words occur substitute "CA/CCA".
  - (31) In the Appendix of forms—
    - (a) in the Notes preceding the list of forms—
      - (i) omit "Combined Authority";
      - (ii) at the end insert—
        - "Where the forms are to be used in relation to a combined county authority mayoral election, rather than a combined authority mayoral election—
          - (a) for "combined authority" in each place where those words occur in a form substitute "combined county authority";
          - (b) in Form 2 (form of candidate's consent to nomination)—
            - (i) for "paragraph 9 or 9A of Schedule 5B to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009" in each place where those words occur substitute "paragraph 8 or 9 of Schedule 2 to the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023";
            - (ii) for "paragraph 9A of Schedule 5B to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009" substitute "paragraph 9 of Schedule 2 to the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023";";

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- (b) in Form 2 (form of candidate's consent to nomination) for "Section 9A" substitute "paragraph 9A";
- (c) for Form 13 (certificate of employment) substitute Form 13 set out in Part 1 of the Schedule to these Regulations.