
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

PART 2

Amendment of the Combined Authorities (Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Access to Information and Audit Committees) Order 2017

Article 5 (appointment of chair)

6. In article 5 (appointment of chair)—

(a) in paragraph (1), after “Act” insert “, in the case of a combined authority, or in accordance with provision made under paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to the 2023 Act, in the case of a combined county authority”;

(b) for paragraph (2) substitute—

“(2) A person is independent if the person—

(a) is not a member or substitute member, or officer, of the combined authority, or, as the case may be, combined county authority;

(b) is not a member, co-opted member, or officer of a principal council or parish council, whose area is within the area of the combined authority, or, as the case may be, the combined county authority;

(c) is not a relative, or close friend, of a person within sub-paragraph (a) or (b); and

(d) was not—

(i) a member or substitute member, or officer, of the authority, or

(ii) a member, co-opted member, or officer of a principal council or parish council, whose area is within the area of the authority,

at any time during the five years ending with an appointment as chair of the overview and scrutiny committee under arrangements made by the authority in accordance with paragraph 3(4)(a) of Schedule 5A to the 2009 Act, in the case of a combined authority, or paragraph 3(4)(a) of Schedule 1 to the 2023 Act, in the case of a combined county authority.”;

(c) in paragraph (3)—

(i) in sub-paragraph (a), after “authority” insert “or, as the case may be, combined county authority”;

(ii) in sub-paragraphs (b) and (c), after “authority” insert “or, as the case may be, combined county authority”;

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- (d) in paragraph (5), after “Act” insert “in the case of a combined authority, or in accordance with provision made under paragraph 3(4)(b) of Schedule 1 to the 2023 Act, in the case of a combined county authority”;
- (e) in paragraph (6)(a), after “authority” insert “or, as the case may be, on the combined county authority”.