



# Local Government Act 2000

## 2000 CHAPTER 22

### [<sup>F1</sup>PART 1A

#### ARRANGEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNANCE IN ENGLAND

#### CHAPTER 4

#### CHANGING GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

#### *Referendums*

#### [<sup>F1</sup>9MA Referendum: proposals by local authority

- (1) This section applies to a local authority which wishes to make a change in governance arrangements that is subject to approval in a referendum under section 9M.
- (2) The local authority must draw up proposals for the change.
- (3) The proposals must include—
  - (a) a timetable with respect to the implementation of the proposals,
  - (b) details of any transitional arrangements which are necessary for the implementation of the proposals, and
  - (c) a statement that the change in governance arrangements is to be subject to approval in a referendum.
- (4) Subsections (5) and (6) apply where the proposed change in governance arrangements is of the kind set out in—
  - (a) section 9K (change from one form of governance to another), or
  - (b) section 9KA (change to a different form of executive).
- (5) If the proposed change in governance arrangements would result in the local authority having executive arrangements, the proposals must state the extent to which the

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functions specified in regulations under section 9D(3)(b) are to be the responsibility of the executive which will be operated if the proposals are implemented.

- (6) The proposals (particularly any provision about timetables and transitional matters included in accordance with subsection (3)) must be such as to ensure that the proposed change can take effect (so far as required to) in accordance with section 9L(2).
- (7) After drawing up the proposals, the local authority must—
- (a) secure that copies of a document setting out the proposals are available at its principal office for inspection by members of the public at all reasonable times, and
  - (b) publish in one or more newspapers circulating in its area a notice which—
    - (i) states that the authority has drawn up the proposals,
    - (ii) describes the main features of the proposals,
    - (iii) states that copies of a document setting out the proposals are available at the authority's principal office for inspection by members of the public at such times as may be specified in the notice, and
    - (iv) specifies the address of the authority's principal office.]

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- F1** Pt. 1A inserted (3.12.2011 for specified purposes, 15.1.2012 for the insertion of Pt. 1A Ch. 4 so far as not already in force and ss. 9B, 9C and 9R for specified purposes, 9.3.2012 for the insertion of ss. 9H-9HE in so far as not already in force and s. 9R for specified purposes, 4.5.2012 in so far as not already in force) by *Localism Act 2011 (c. 20)*, s. 240(2), **Sch. 2 para. 1**; S.I. 2011/2896, art. 2(e); S.I. 2012/57, art. 4(1)(b) (with arts. 6, 7, 9-11); S.I. 2012/628, art. 2(a); S.I. 2012/1008, art. 4(b)

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