



# Localism Act 2011

## 2011 CHAPTER 20

### PART 1

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### CHAPTER 5

#### GOVERNANCE

#### **23 Changes to local authority governance in England: transitional provision etc**

- (1) The Secretary of State may by order make such transitional, transitory or saving provision as the Secretary of State considers appropriate in connection with the coming into force of sections 21 and 22 and Schedules 2 and 3.
- (2) An order under subsection (1) may, in particular, include any provision—
  - (a) relating to local authorities—
    - (i) ceasing to operate executive arrangements or alternative arrangements under Part 2 of the Local Government Act 2000, and
    - (ii) starting to operate executive arrangements or a committee system under Part 1A of that Act,
  - (b) as to whether, and how, anything done, or in the process of being done, under any provision of Part 2 of that Act is to be deemed to have been done, or be in the process of being done, under any provision of Part 1A of that Act (whether generally or for specified purposes), or
  - (c) modifying the application of any provision of Chapter 4 of Part 1A of that Act in relation to a change in governance arrangements by a local authority within a specified period.
- (3) The reference in subsection (2)(b) to things done includes a reference to things omitted to be done.
- (4) In this section—

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“change in governance arrangements” has the meaning given by section 90A of the Local Government Act 2000;

“local authority” means a county council in England, a district council or a London borough council;

“specified” means specified in an order under this section.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 158(8)-(9B) substituted for s. 158(8)(9) by [2016 c. 22 s. 121\(2\)\(e\)](#)
- s. 202(3A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 176\(2\)](#)