

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 6

#### LOCAL ELECTIONS IN NORTHERN IRELAND AND ELECTIONS TO THE NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY

##### PART 1

#### LOCAL ELECTIONS IN NORTHERN IRELAND

##### *Transitional provisions relating to proxy voting*

- 32 (1) This paragraph applies where—
- (a) a proxy appointment is in force immediately before the day specified for the purposes of this paragraph (“the specified day”) as a result of an application made before the day on which the relevant provisions of this Schedule come into force, and
  - (b) the appointment has effect immediately before the specified day in relation to local elections in Northern Ireland or a particular local election in Northern Ireland.
- (2) On the specified day, the proxy appointment ceases to have effect as mentioned in [sub-paragraph \(1\)\(b\)](#).
- (3) The Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland must, before the specified day, send the person who is entitled to vote by proxy by means of the proxy appointment—
- (a) a notice informing the person that the appointment ceases to have effect as mentioned in [sub-paragraph \(1\)\(b\)](#) on the specified day (naming that day), and
  - (b) information about how to make a fresh application to vote by proxy.
- (4) As soon as practicable after the specified day, the Chief Electoral Officer must alter the relevant absent voters’ records as necessary to reflect the change to the proxy appointment resulting from [sub-paragraph \(2\)](#).
- (5) More than one day may be specified for the purposes of this paragraph if the relevant provisions of this Schedule come into force on different days (and in such a case references in this paragraph to the specified day and to the relevant provisions of this Schedule are to be construed accordingly).
- (6) In this paragraph and paragraph 33—
- “the 1985 Order” means the Local Elections (Northern Ireland) Order 1985 ([S.I. 1985/454](#));
  - “local election” has the meaning given by section 130(1) of the [Electoral Law Act \(Northern Ireland\) 1962 \(c. 14 \(N.I.\)\)](#);

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“proxy appointment” means an appointment of a person to vote as proxy for another person;

“relevant absent voters’ records” means—

- (a) the record kept under paragraph 1(3) of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the 1985 Order,
- (b) the record kept under paragraph 4(5) of that Part, and
- (c) any lists kept under paragraphs 2(4) and 4(8) of that Part which have not been published under paragraph 15(6) of that Part;

“relevant provisions of this Schedule” means paragraphs 26 and 28(2);

“specified” means specified by the Secretary of State in regulations made by statutory instrument.