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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 461**

**The Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement  
of Elections) (Wales) Regulations 2020**

**Disapplication of certain provisions relating to elections**

- 5.—(1) This regulation applies in relation to the poll for a relevant election if the poll—
- (a) is required to be held on a day falling within the period beginning on 25 April 2020 and ending on [<sup>F1</sup>28 February 2021], but
  - (b) pursuant to these Regulations is not held in that period.
- (2) Section 39 of the 1983 Act (local elections void etc.) does not apply, and is treated as never having applied, in relation to the poll.
- (3) Section 63 of the 1983 Act (breach of official duty) does not apply, and is treated as never having applied, in relation to any act or omission in connection with the poll.
- (4) In determining for the purpose of this regulation whether a poll has been held, postal votes are to be ignored.

**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in [reg. 5\(1\)\(a\)](#) substituted (29.1.2021) by [The Local Government \(Coronavirus\) \(Postponement of Elections\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/88\)](#), regs. 1(2), **2(5)**

**Commencement Information**

- I1** Reg. 5 in force at 5.5.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Local Government (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections) (Wales) Regulations 2020, Section 5.