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The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment)
Order 2022

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends Part 1 of the Model Code of Conduct as set out in the Schedule to the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) Order 2008 ("the Order") to add corporate joint committees established under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1) to the list of relevant authorities. The effect of the amendment would be to make the mandatory Model Code of Conduct applicable to members of corporate joint committees.

The Model Code of Conduct governs the conduct of the members of relevant authorities in Wales.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to the regulations which establish corporate joint committees and connected orders and regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment was prepared at the time of making those establishment regulations and is relied upon for the purpose of this Order. A copy can be obtained from the Local Government Strategic Finance Division, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.

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Made 13 July 2022 Laid before Senedd Cymru 15 July 2022

Coming into force 5 August 2022

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on the National Assembly of Wales by sections 50(2) and (3)(1) and 105(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 2000(2) and now vested in them, make the following Order.

In accordance with section 49(5) of that Act, the Welsh Ministers have consulted the Auditor General for Wales, the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales, representatives of relevant authorities, and such other persons as considered appropriate.

Title and coming into force

1.—(1) The title of this Order is The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2022.

(2) This Order comes into force on 5 August 2022.

(**2**) 2000 c. 22.

⁽¹⁾ Section 50 was amended by the Localism Act 2011 c. 20 Sch. 25(5) para. 1 (amendment has effect as S.I. 2012/1463 subject to transitional, transitory and savings provisions specified in S.I. 2012/1463 art. 7(3) and (4)). The powers conferred by section 50(2) and (3) of the Local Government Act 2000 on the National Assembly for Wales were transferred to the Welsh Ministers by virtue of section 162 of, and paragraph 30 of Schedule 11 to, the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

Amendment of the Schedule to the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) Order 2008

2. In the definition of "relevant authority" in Part 1 (*Interpretation*) of the Schedule to the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) Order 2008(1) after "a community council" insert—

"(ca) a corporate joint committee established by regulations made under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1)(2),".

Rebecca Evans
Minister for Finance and Local Government, one of
the Welsh Ministers
13 July 2022

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2008/788.

⁽**2**) asc 1.