



Energy Act 2023

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PART 8

HEAT NETWORKS

CHAPTER 2

HEAT NETWORK ZONES

Heat Network Zones Authority and zone coordinators

228 Zone coordinators

- (1) Zones regulations may make provision about zone coordinators.
- (2) The purpose of zone coordinators is to carry out functions conferred on them by zones regulations in relation to particular heat network zones.
- (3) Regulations made by virtue of [subsection \(1\)](#) may—
 - (a) make provision for, or in connection with, the designation of a person as a zone coordinator by a local authority for its area, or a part or parts of its area (including the local authority designating itself);
 - (b) make provision for, or in connection with, the designation of a person as a zone coordinator by two or more local authorities for their areas or parts of their areas (including the local authorities designating one of themselves);
 - (c) make provision for, or in connection with, the establishment of a body by one or more local authorities which is intended to be designated as a zone coordinator in accordance with regulations made by virtue of [paragraph \(a\)](#) or [\(b\)](#);
 - (d) make provision about the funding of zone coordinators;
 - (e) make provision about the governance of zone coordinators;

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- (f) make provision about zone coordinators cooperating with the Regulator in relation to zone coordinators' functions or the Regulator's functions;
 - (g) make provision for the Authority to perform any function of a zone coordinator in circumstances, and subject to requirements, specified by the regulations;
 - (h) make provision for the Authority to direct a zone coordinator to perform any of its functions in the manner the Authority considers appropriate in circumstances, and subject to requirements, specified by the regulations.
- (4) Regulations made by virtue of [subsection \(3\)\(a\)](#) and [\(b\)](#) may make provision for the Authority—
- (a) to require a local authority, or two or more local authorities, to designate a person as a zone coordinator in circumstances, and subject to requirements, specified by the regulations;
 - (b) to designate a person as a zone coordinator where a local authority (or local authorities) fail to comply with a requirement imposed by virtue of paragraph [\(a\)](#).
- (5) In [this section](#), “local authority” means—
- (a) a county, district or parish council in England;
 - (b) a London borough council;
 - (c) the Common Council of the City of London;
 - (d) the Council of the Isles of Scilly;
 - (e) a combined authority established under section 103 of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009;
 - (f) another body or person specified by zones regulations.

Commencement Information

II S. 228 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 334\(2\)\(l\)](#)

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