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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2022 No. 669**

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION**

**The Freedom of Information (Additional  
Public Authorities) Order 2022**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>14th June 2022</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>16th June 2022</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st September 2022</i>

The Minister for the Cabinet Office makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4(1) and (6) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000(1).

The Minister for the Cabinet Office has consulted the Welsh Ministers in accordance with section 4(7) of that Act(2).

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Freedom of Information (Additional Public Authorities) Order 2022.

(2) This Order comes into force on 1st September 2022.

(3) In this Order, “the Act” means the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**Additional public authorities**

2. In Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Act (local government) after paragraph 35E insert—

“**35F.** A corporate joint committee established by regulations under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021.”

3. In Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Act (other public bodies and offices: general) insert, at the appropriate place in each case, the entries listed in the Schedule to this Order.

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(1) 2000 c. 36. The function conferred on the Secretary of State by section 4(1) became concurrently exercisable by the Secretary of State and the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Information and Public Records) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1897). That concurrent function of the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster was transferred to the Minister for the Cabinet Office by the Transfer of Functions (Elections, Referendums, Third Sector and Information) Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/997). There are other amendments to this function but none is relevant.

(2) The consultation requirement in section 4(7) was imposed concurrently on the Minister for the Cabinet Office in the same way as set out in the footnote above. Section 4(7) was additionally amended by the Government of Wales Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications and Transitional Provisions) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1388).

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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14th June 2022

*True*  
Minister of State  
Cabinet Office

## SCHEDULE

Article 3

Entries inserted in Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Act

The Biometrics and Forensics Ethics Group.

The Education Workforce Council.

The Independent Welsh Pay Review Body.

Social Care Wales.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36) (“the Act”) apply to public authorities. Section 3(1) provides that a “public authority” includes a body or holder of any office which is listed in Schedule 1 to the Act. The Minister for the Cabinet Office may add bodies and office holders to Schedule 1 by an order under section 4(1), provided that the conditions in section 4(2) and (3) are satisfied. By section 4(6), an order under section 4(1) may relate to a specified person or office or to persons or offices falling within a specified description.

Article 2 and 3 of this Order adds the bodies and office holders listed in the Schedule to this Order to Part 2 and Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

An Impact Assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.