



Local Government Act 1972

1972 CHAPTER 70

PART IV

CHANGES IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS

Miscellaneous

76 Change of name of community.

- (1) At the request of the community council or, where there is no community council, at the request of a community meeting, the council of the [^{F1}principal area] in which the community is situated may change the name of the community.
- (2) Notice of any change of name made under this section ^{F2}. . . —
 - (a) shall be sent by the [^{F3}principal] council concerned to the [^{F4}Welsh Ministers, to the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales,] to the Director General of the Ordnance Survey and to the Registrar General; and
 - (b) shall be published by the [^{F3}principal] council in the community and elsewhere in such manner as they consider appropriate.
- (3) A change of name made in pursuance of this section ^{F5}. . . shall not affect any rights or obligations of any community or of any council, authority or person, or render defective any legal proceedings; and any legal proceedings may be commenced or continued as if there had been no change of name.
- [^{F6}(4) If the name of any community is changed under this section, and there are generally accepted alternative English and Welsh forms of that name, or alternative English and Welsh names, both forms of the new name or (as the case may be) both names shall be published.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 76(1) substituted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(5), **Sch. 15 para. 21(1)(a)** (with ss. 54(5) (7), 55(5), **Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)**); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**

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- F2** Words in s. 76(2) repealed (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(5)(8), Sch. 15 para. 21(1)(b), **Sch. 18** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**
- F3** Word in s. 76(2) substituted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(5), **Sch. 15 para. 21(1)(c)** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**
- F4** Words in s. 76(2)(a) substituted (30.9.2013) by Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Act 2013 (anaw 4), s. 75(2)(d), **Sch. 1 para. 1(8)**
- F5** Words in s. 76(3) repealed (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(5)(8), Sch. 15 para. 21(1)(b), **Sch. 18** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**
- F6** S. 76(4) added (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(5), **Sch. 15 para. 21(2)** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 80(3B) omitted by [2021 asc 1 Sch. 2 para. 1\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 101(6ZA) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 2](#)
- s. 123(2C) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 75](#)
- s. 131(2)(n) and word inserted by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 16](#)