

## **Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee**

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#### **Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee Draft Report**

**Title: The Isle of Anglesey Local Authorities (Change to the Years of Ordinary Elections) Order 2012**

**Procedure: Negative**

This Order provides that the ordinary elections of councillors to the Isle of Anglesey County Council will take place in 2013 instead of 2012. It also provides that the ordinary elections of councillors to the community councils in the Isle of Anglesey county will take place in 2013 instead of 2012.

The current term of office of existing councillors elected to the Isle of Anglesey County Council is accordingly extended by one year. The current term of office of existing community councillors elected to community councils in the Isle of Anglesey county is also accordingly extended by one year.

#### **Technical Scrutiny**

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument

#### **Merits Scrutiny**

The following points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument –

1. This Order has the effect of postponing elections in Anglesey by one year. Nevertheless, the enabling legislation provides that the negative procedure applies to this Order.
2. The Order also has the effect of putting Anglesey on a different electoral cycle from the other Welsh counties. Attention is therefore drawn in particular to the final paragraph of part 4 of the Explanatory Memorandum.

[S.O.21.3(ii) that it is of political or legal importance or gives rise to issues of public policy likely to be of interest to the Assembly;]

#### **Legal Advisers**

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