



Charities Act 2011

2011 CHAPTER 25

PART 15

LOCAL CHARITIES

Parochial charities

300 Powers of appointment deriving from pre-1894 powers

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where, under the trusts of a charity other than an ecclesiastical charity—
 - (a) the inhabitants of a rural parish (whether in vestry or not), or
 - (b) a select vestry,were formerly (in 1894) entitled to appoint charity trustees for, or trustees or beneficiaries of, the charity.
- (2) The appointment is to be made—
 - (a) in a parish having a parish council or (in Wales) a community having a community council, by the parish or community council, or in the case of beneficiaries, by persons appointed by the parish or community council;
 - (b) in a parish not having a parish council or (in Wales) a community not having a community council, by the parish meeting or by the county council or (as the case may be) county borough council.
- (3) Subsection (4) applies where—
 - (a) overseers as such, or
 - (b) except in the case of an ecclesiastical charity, churchwardens as such,were formerly (in 1894) charity trustees of or trustees for a parochial charity in a rural parish, either alone or jointly with other persons.
- (4) Instead of the former overseer or church warden trustees there are to be trustees (to a number not greater than that of the former overseer or churchwarden trustees) appointed—

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- (a) by the parish council or, if there is no parish council, by the parish meeting, or
 - (b) by the community council or, if there is no community council, by the county council or (as the case may be) county borough council.
- (5) In this section “formerly (in 1894)” relates to the period immediately before the passing of the Local Government Act 1894 and “former” is to be read accordingly.

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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. 106(1)-(1B) substituted for s. 106(1) by [2022 c. 6 s. 16\(a\)](#)
- s. 322(2)(ea) inserted by [2022 c. 6 Sch. 2 para. 26](#)
- s. 331A331B and cross-heading inserted by [2022 c. 6 s. 15](#)