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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1990 No. 2477**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Local Elections (Parishes and Communities)  
(Declaration of Acceptance of Office) Order 1990**

*Made* - - - - - *6th December 1990*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *1st January 1991*

The Secretary of State for the Environment, as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 83(4) of the Local Government Act 1972(1), section 31(7) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989(2) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (Declaration of Acceptance of Office) Order 1990 and shall come into force on 1st January 1991.

**Form of declaration of acceptance of office**

2. The declaration of acceptance of office by the chairman or a councillor of a parish or community council shall be in the form in the Schedule to this Order, or a form to the like effect.

6th December 1990

*Michael Heseltine*  
Secretary of State for the Environment

6th December 1990

*David Hunt*  
Secretary of State for Wales

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(1) 1972 c. 70; section 83(4) was amended by section 30(2) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.  
(2) 1989 c. 42.

*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).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

SCHEDULE

Article 2

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

I, ....., having been elected to the office of (insert description of office) declare that I take that office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties of it according to the best of my judgement and ability.

I undertake to be guided by the National Code of Local Government Conduct in the performance of my functions in that office.

Date .....

(Signed) .....

This declaration was made and signed before me,

(Signed) .....

Member/proper officer of the council of the parish/community/town of

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

This Order prescribes the form of declaration of acceptance of office to be made by the chairman or a councillor of a parish or community council. The person making the declaration is required to undertake to be guided by the National Code of Local Government Conduct. (The Code was issued as DoE Circular 8/90 and Welsh Office Circular 23/90, and is available from HMSO (ISBN 0 11 752289 9).)