



# Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004

## 2004 CHAPTER 23

### PART 2

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES IN WALES

### CHAPTER 1

#### ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

*[<sup>F1</sup>Public inspection etc and action by the Auditor General for Wales]*

#### **29 [<sup>F1</sup>Inspection of statements of accounts and Auditor General for Wales' reports]**

- (1) A local government elector for the area of a local government body in Wales may—
  - (a) at all reasonable times and without payment inspect and make a copy of any statement of accounts prepared by the body under regulations made under section 39;
  - (b) at all reasonable times and without payment inspect and make a copy of any report (other than a report under section 22(3)) made to the body by [<sup>F2</sup>the Auditor General for Wales];
  - (c) require a copy of a statement or report falling within paragraph (a) or (b) to be delivered to him on payment of a reasonable sum for each copy.
- (2) A person who has custody of a document falling within paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection (1) commits an offence if—
  - (a) he obstructs a person in the exercise of a right under this section to inspect or make a copy of the document, or
  - (b) he refuses to supply a copy of the document to a person entitled to the copy under subsection (1)(c).
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (2) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

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*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004, Section 29. (See end of Document for details)*

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(4) In this section references to a copy of a document include a copy of any part of it.

**Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 29 heading substituted (1.4.2014) by [Public Audit \(Wales\) Act 2013 \(anaw 3\)](#), s. 35(2), [Sch. 4 para. 34\(3\)](#) (with [Sch. 3 paras. 2, 3](#)); S.I. 2013/1466, art. 3(1)
- F2** Words in s. 29(1)(b) substituted (1.4.2014) by [Public Audit \(Wales\) Act 2013 \(anaw 3\)](#), s. 35(2), [Sch. 4 para. 34\(2\)](#) (with [Sch. 3 paras. 2, 3](#)); S.I. 2013/1466, art. 3(1)

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