



# Climate Change Act 2008

## 2008 CHAPTER 27

### PART 4

#### IMPACT OF AND ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE

##### *Reporting authorities: devolved Welsh functions*

#### **68 Compliance with Welsh Ministers' directions**

- (1) A reporting authority must comply with any directions under section 67.
- (2) Where two or more reporting authorities are directed to prepare a joint report, they must take reasonable steps to co-operate with each other for that purpose.
- (3) In preparing a report, a reporting authority must have regard to the following, so far as relevant—
  - (a) the most recent report under section 56 (report on impact of climate change);
  - (b) the most recent programme under section 58 (programme for adaptation to climate change);
  - (c) any guidance issued by the Secretary of State under section 61;
  - (d) any guidance issued by the Welsh Ministers under section 66;
  - (e) the most recent report under section 80 (report on climate change: Wales).
- (4) The authority must send a copy of the report to the Welsh Ministers.
- (5) The Welsh Ministers must publish the report in such manner as they consider appropriate.
- (6) This does not require the Welsh Ministers to publish—
  - (a) information they could refuse to disclose in response to a request under—
    - (i) the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36), or
    - (ii) the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/3391) or any regulations replacing those regulations;
  - (b) information whose disclosure is prohibited by any enactment.

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- (7) The authority must have regard to the report in exercising its devolved Welsh functions.

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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. 86(1)(a) words renumbered as s. 86(1)(a) by [2016 c. 22 s. 211\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 86(1)(b) and word inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 211\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 86(7A)(7B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 s. 211\(5\)](#)