

# Scottish Local Government (Elections) Act 2009

### VALID FROM 30/04/2010

# 1 Year of local government elections

- (1) In section 5 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c. 39) (elections etc. of councillors), after subsection (1) insert—
  - "(1A) Following the ordinary election of councillors held in 2007 the next ordinary election of councillors shall take place in 2012.
  - (1B) After the ordinary election of councillors in 2012 the next ordinary election shall take place in 2017, and ordinary elections shall take place every fourth year after that.".
- (2) The schedule to this Act, which contains consequential modifications and the repeal of certain enactments already obsolete or unnecessary, has effect.

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# **2** Voting information from local government elections

(1) In the Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (asp 9), after section 3 insert—

# "3A Voting information from local government elections

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by order make provision as to the publication of information about votes cast at elections of councillors.
- (2) Such an order may, in particular—
  - (a) specify information to which the provisions shall apply,
  - (b) make provision about access to information to facilitate publication,
  - (c) specify limitations on the publication of information,

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- (d) make provision relating to votes cast in part of an electoral ward.
- (3) Nothing may be done by virtue of an order under this section which would make it possible to ascertain whether or not a particular elector voted.
- (4) An order under this section may make provision which applies to any voting information held by virtue of this Act in relation to the local government elections held in 2007.".
- (2) In section 16 of that Act (orders and regulations)—
  - (a) in subsection (3) after "3(1)" insert ", 3A",
  - (b) in subsection (5), at the end of paragraph (a) insert—
    - "(aa) order containing provisions made under section 3A,".

# 3 Short title and commencement

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Scottish Local Government (Elections) Act 2009.
- (2) This section comes into force on Royal Assent.
- (3) The remaining provisions of this Act come into force on such day as the Scottish Ministers may by order made by statutory instrument appoint; and different days may be appointed for different purposes.

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