

*These notes refer to the Local Government (Democracy) (Wales)  
Act 2013 (c.4) which received Royal Assent on 30 July 2013*

# **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DEMOCRACY) (WALES) ACT 2013**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 3 - Arrangements for local government**

##### ***Section 23 – Review of principal area boundaries***

24. This section enables the Commission, either at its own behest or if so requested by a principal council, to conduct a review of a county or county borough (defined in the Act as “principal areas”). Following a review, the Commission must make proposals to the Welsh Ministers. In their proposals, the Commission may propose such principal area change as appropriate and consequential changes to community boundaries or electoral arrangements within communities. The possible changes are defined at subsection (4).
25. In line with the duty imposed under section 21, any recommendations that the Commission makes in connection with such a review should seek to secure effective and convenient local government.