



# Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972

## 1972 CHAPTER 9

### PART VIII

#### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE

##### SUPERVISION OF COUNCILS

#### 127 Information, reports and returns.

A council shall—

- (a) make such reports and returns; and
- (b) give such information with respect to the exercise of its functions; to the Ministry, within such period, as the Ministry directs.

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#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Ss. 23-27, 31, 48, 123, 126, 127 applied (with modifications) (1.7.2006) by [Fire and Rescue Services \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1254 \(N.I. 9\)\)](#), arts. 1(3), 3(3), [Sch. 1 para. 12](#) (with arts. 49, 62); S.R. 2006/257, [art. 2\(a\)\(c\)](#)

#### 128 Inquiries and investigations.

The Ministry may cause such local or other inquiries to be held or investigations to be made as the Ministry thinks expedient for the purposes of this Act or in connection with any matter concerning the administration of any transferred provision relating to the functions of any council or any committee or sub-committee of a council.

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## **129 Default of council.**

- (1) If the Ministry,<sup>F1</sup> . . . is satisfied that a council has failed to discharge any of its functions, the Ministry may make an order—
  - (a) declaring the council to be in default; and
  - (b) directing it for the purpose of remedying the default, to take such action, within such period, as is specified in the order.
- (2) If an order under subsection (1) is not complied with, the Ministry may by order empower an officer of the Ministry to exercise, or procure the exercise of, the function in question.
- (3) Any costs incurred by the Ministry or an officer of the Ministry under an order made under subsection (2) shall, in the first instance, be defrayed as expenses of the Ministry, but—
  - (a) the amount of those costs as certified by the Ministry shall, on demand, be paid to the Ministry by the council; and
  - (b) any sum demanded under paragraph (a) shall be a debt recoverable summarily by the Ministry from the council.

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