



Communications Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 21

PART 2

NETWORKS, SERVICES AND THE RADIO SPECTRUM

CHAPTER 1

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS AND SERVICES

Local authority powers in relation to networks and services

148 Powers of local authorities in connection with networks

- (1) A local authority may borrow money for the purpose of providing a public electronic communications network or public electronic communications service.
- (2) A local authority may—
 - (a) provide a public electronic communications network part of which is outside their area; and
 - (b) provide a public electronic communications service even if some of the persons to whom they provide the service are outside their area.
- (3) In this section, a “local authority” means—
 - (a) in relation to England, a London borough council or a district council;
 - (b) in relation to Wales, a county council or a county borough council;
 - (c) in Scotland, a council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (c. 39).

Status: Point in time view as at 25/07/2003.

Changes to legislation: Communications Act 2003, Cross Heading: Local authority powers in relation to networks and services is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 10 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details)

Commencement Information

- II** S. 148 in force at 25.7.2003 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2003/1900](#), arts. 1(2), 2(1), [Sch. 1](#) (with [art. 3](#)) (as amended by [S.I. 2003/3142](#), art. 1(3))

Status:

Point in time view as at 25/07/2003.

Changes to legislation:

Communications Act 2003, Cross Heading: Local authority powers in relation to networks and services is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 10 April 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.