

# Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

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#### PART 4

## PUBLIC SERVICES BOARDS

#### **CHAPTER 2**

# IMPROVING LOCAL WELL-BEING

#### Local well-being plans

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- (1) A public services board must prepare and publish a plan (a "local well-being plan") setting out its local objectives and the steps it proposes to take to meet them.
- (2) The plan may include objectives—
  - (a) that are also well-being objectives published under Part 2 by a member of the board;
  - (b) that are to be met by the taking of steps—
    - (i) by one or more members of the board, invited participants or other partners acting individually, or
    - (ii) any combination of members, invited participants or other partners acting jointly.
- (3) But a plan may include an objective which is to be met by steps which are to be taken by an invited participant or other partner (whether individually or jointly in any combination of members, invited participants or other partners) only if the board has obtained the agreement of that invited participant or other partner, as the case may be.

*Status:* This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) In setting its well-being objectives a board must take into account the Commissioner's report under section 23.
- (5) A local well-being plan must include a statement—
  - (a) explaining why the board considers that meeting the local objectives will contribute within the area to achieving the well-being goals;
  - (b) explaining how the objectives and any proposed steps have been set with regard to any matters mentioned in the most recent assessment of well-being published under section 37;
  - (c) specifying the periods of time within which the board expects to meet the objectives;
  - (d) explaining how any proposed steps are to be taken in accordance with the sustainable development principle;
  - (e) if the plan includes objectives referred to in subsection (2)(b), specifying the proposed steps to be taken to meet those objectives and, in the case of steps to be taken by a combination of members of the board, invited participants or other partners, the persons making up the combination;
  - (f) if the plan is not the first plan published by the board, specifying the steps taken to meet the objectives set out in the board's previous plan and specifying the extent to which those objectives have been met;
  - (g) providing such other information as the board considers appropriate.
- (6) Each board must publish its first local well-being plan no later than one year after the date on which the next ordinary election under section 26 of the Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70) following the commencement of this section is held.
- (7) Subsequently, each board must publish a local well-being plan no later than one year after the date on which each subsequent ordinary election under that section is held.
- (8) Each board must send a copy of its plan to—
  - (a) the Welsh Ministers;
  - (b) the Commissioner;
  - (c) the Auditor General for Wales;
  - (d) the local authority's overview and scrutiny committee.