

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

The Regulations make provision under the competitive tendering requirements in Part I of the Local Government Act 1988 (“the Act”) in respect of the defined activity of information technology services.

Regulation 3 applies section 6 of the Act (functional work: restrictions) to a specified proportion of this activity from 1st October 1999, being the date specified in the Regulations, for certain defined authorities in Wales, so that those defined authorities must compete for such work in accordance with the Act’s requirements if they wish to carry it out themselves.

The defined authorities in Wales to which the Regulations apply are local authorities (namely county councils, county borough councils and community councils), combined fire authorities, National Park authorities and joint committees of such authorities.