WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2006 No. 940

The Children (Private Arrangements for Fostering) (Wales) Regulations 2006

Subsequent visits to children who are being privately fostered

- **8.**—(1) Each local authority must arrange for an officer of the authority to visit every child who is being privately fostered in their area—
 - (a) in the first year of the private fostering arrangement, at intervals of not more than six weeks; and
 - (b) in any second or subsequent year, at intervals of not more than 12 weeks.
- (2) In addition to visits carried out in accordance with paragraph (1) the local authority must arrange for every child who is privately fostered in their area to be visited by an officer when reasonably requested to do so by the child, the private foster carer, a parent of the child or any other person with parental responsibility for the child.
- (3) When carrying out a visit under this regulation the officer must speak to the child alone unless the officer considers it inappropriate.
- (4) When carrying out a visit under this regulation the officer must establish such matters listed in Schedule 3 as appear to the officer to be relevant.
- (5) The officer must make a written report to the local authority after each visit carried out in accordance with this regulation.
- (6) For the purposes of this regulation, the private fostering arrangement is deemed to begin when the local authority become aware of it.