### WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2014 No. 1795

## The Representations Procedure (Wales) Regulations 2014

## PART 4

#### HANDLING AND INVESTIGATION OF REPRESENTATIONS

#### Representations involving more than one local authority

**21.**—(1) In any case where it appears to the complaints officer that a representation is or may be a representation which relates to the exercise of functions by more than one local authority the complaints officer must, as soon as reasonably practicable—

- (a) notify the other local authority or local authorities involved and decide with the complaints officer of each of them which local authority will take the lead in handling the representation; and
- (b) notify the person making the representation.
- (2) The complaints officer of a local authority which is the lead authority must ensure that—
  - (a) any part of the representation relating to the actions of the lead local authority is considered under this Part of the regulations;
  - (b) the person making the representation is kept informed about the progress of the investigation; and
  - (c) the response required under regulations 17(6) or 20(1) so far as reasonably practicable includes a response on any other matter which was the responsibility of another local authority mentioned in paragraph (1).
- (3) The complaints officer of a local authority which is not the lead authority must—
  - (a) ensure that any part of the representation relating to the actions of its local authority is considered under these Regulations; and
  - (b) advise the complaints officer of the lead local authority of any resolution of the matter under regulations 17(6) or 20(1).