EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prescribe requirements relating to the size and composition of relevant local planning authority committees and sub-committees in Wales by which a relevant function is discharged.

"Relevant local planning authorities" are county or county borough councils, joint planning boards and National Park Authorities. A "relevant function" is a function exercisable by a relevant local planning authority in relation to an application under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (see section 319ZD of that Act).

The requirements are that relevant local planning authority committees and sub-committees are to comprise no less than 11 members and no more than 21 members of the authority. In relation to multiple member wards, only one member of the ward is eligible for appointment to a committee or sub-committee. The restriction on appointing one member only does not apply where a local planning authority is comprised solely of multiple member wards.

A regulatory impact assessment has been prepared in relation to these Regulations. Copies are available from the Welsh Government at Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ and on the Welsh Government's website at www.gov.wales.