These notes refer to the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (c.4) which received Royal Assent on 1 May 2014

## SOCIAL SERVICES AND WELL-BEING (WALES) ACT 2014

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

## Section 177 – Further consideration of representations

- 446. Section 177 provides that regulations may be made about the further consideration of representations (including complaints) which have been considered by a local authority under section 174 or 176. This replicates the provision contained in section 26ZB of the Children Act 1989.
- 447. Subsections (2) and (3) provide examples of the kind of provision which may be contained in these regulations.
- 448. Subsection (4) provides that the regulations may allow a representation, or any matter raised by a representation, to be referred elsewhere. The regulations may allow a representation or matter to be referred to the Ombudsman so that he or she can consider whether to investigate it under the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2005. The regulations may also allow a representation to be referred to any other body so that it can decide whether to take any action.