

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (WALES) MEASURE 2010

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Part 1: Child Poverty, Play and Participation

Part 1, Chapter 1: Eradicating Child Poverty

Section 2: Strategies for contributing to the eradication of child poverty

9. **Section 2** imposes a duty on “Welsh authorities” to prepare and publish a strategy for contributing to the eradication of child poverty in Wales. The strategy should set out objectives chosen by the authority which relate to the broad aims which are relevant to, and which can be pursued in, the exercise of its functions. The strategy must also contain the actions to be performed and functions to be exercised by the authority for the purpose of achieving its objectives. In the case of the Welsh Ministers and local authorities, they must choose objectives which relate to each of the broad aims.
10. Subsection (4) provides that Welsh Ministers must, in preparing their strategy, choose objectives which relate to their powers to provide funding to any person.
11. Subsection (5) gives the Welsh Ministers a power to make regulations to specify particular objectives for a Welsh authority over and above any objectives which the Welsh authority might chose for itself.
12. The list of Welsh authorities which are subject to the duty to prepare and publish a strategy is set out in section 6.
13. Provision about the preparation and publication of strategies are set out in sections 3 to 5 of the Measure and section 26 of the Children Act 2004 (“the 2004 Act”) (as amended by section 4 of the Measure).