

PUBLIC HEALTH (WALES) ACT 2017

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2

Obesity

Section 2 - National strategy on preventing and reducing obesity: publication and review

9. This section places a requirement on the Welsh Ministers to publish a national strategy on preventing obesity and reducing obesity levels in Wales. The strategy must set out objectives which will contribute both to preventing obesity and reducing obesity levels, as well as actions for achieving the objectives.
10. The section also provides detail about how the national strategy is to be reviewed and consulted upon. The Welsh Ministers can revise the strategy at any time, but if they do so, they must publish the revised version as soon as is reasonably practicable. The strategy must be reviewed three years after it is first published, and after each subsequent three year period. In developing the strategy and before each review, the Welsh Ministers must consult appropriate stakeholders.

Section 3 - Implementation of national strategy

11. This section provides further detail about how the national strategy on preventing and reducing obesity is to be implemented and reported upon. The Welsh Ministers must take all reasonable steps to achieve the objectives set out in the most recent version of the strategy, and must publish a progress report following each review of the strategy.