



# Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Act 2019

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## PART 6

### INVESTIGATIONS: SUPPLEMENTARY

#### *Consultation and co-operation*

#### **66 Working jointly with specified persons**

- (1) This section applies if it appears to the Ombudsman that—
  - (a) there is a matter which the Ombudsman is entitled to investigate, and
  - (b) the matter is one which could also be the subject of an investigation by a person specified in subsection (2) (“specified person”).
- (2) The following are specified persons—
  - (a) the Children's Commissioner for Wales;
  - (b) the Commissioner for Older People in Wales;
  - (c) the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales;
  - (d) the Welsh Language Commissioner;
  - (e) where the matter relates to health or social care, the Welsh Ministers.
- (3) Subject to subsection (4), where the Ombudsman considers it appropriate, the Ombudsman must—
  - (a) inform the relevant specified person about the matter, and
  - (b) consult the specified person in relation to it.
- (4) Where the Ombudsman investigates the matter under section 4 or 44, the Ombudsman must—
  - (a) inform the relevant specified person about the matter, and

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- (b) where the Ombudsman considers it appropriate, consult the specified person in relation to it.
- (5) Where the Ombudsman consults a specified person under this section, the Ombudsman and the specified person may—
- (a) co-operate with each other in relation to the matter,
  - (b) conduct a joint investigation into the matter, and
  - (c) prepare and publish a joint report in relation to the investigation.
- (6) The Welsh Ministers may by regulations amend subsection (2) by—
- (a) adding or removing a specified person to or from the list, or
  - (b) varying a reference to a type or description of specified person for the time being contained in that subsection.
- (7) No regulations are to be made under subsection (6) unless a draft of the statutory instrument containing them has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, the Assembly.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 66 in force at 23.7.2019 by S.I. 2019/1096, reg. 2

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act modified by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 2 para. 6](#)
- Act modified by [2023 asc 3 Sch. 12 para. 7\(2\)](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 65(7)(f) inserted by [2022 c. 30 Sch. 10 para. 6\(2\)\(a\)](#) (Welsh language text)
- s. 65(7)(f) inserted by [2022 c. 30 Sch. 10 para. 6\(2\)\(b\)](#) (English language text)