

# **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (WALES) MEASURE 2010**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **Part 1: Child Poverty, Play and Participation**

#### ***Part 1, Chapter 1: Eradicating Child Poverty***

#### ***Section 4: Strategies prepared by local authorities (children's service authorities)***

19. **Section 4** makes amendments to section 26 of the 2004 Act so that, for a local authority, the duty to have a child poverty strategy is linked to the existing duty under that section to prepare a plan saying how, more broadly, it will discharge its functions in relation to children and young persons. Subsection (1) provides that a local authority's duty to publish a strategy is discharged by the publication of a plan under section 26 of the 2004 Act. The existing duty is amended by subsection (3) so that a local authority must include in its plan its strategy for contributing to the eradication of child poverty in Wales under section 2(1) of the Measure.
20. As well as their own child poverty strategy, a local authority may also include the child poverty strategies of other Welsh authorities with whom it has made an arrangement under section 25 of the 2004 Act. In this regard, see also section 5(4) and 5(5) which make provision that if another Welsh authority's child poverty strategy is incorporated into the local authority's plan under the 2004 Act, then its duty under section 2 of the Measure is discharged.