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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 2

[^{F1}SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
PROVIDED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN ENGLAND]

Textual Amendments

F1 Sch. 2 heading substituted (6.4.2016) by [The Social Services and Well-being \(Wales\) Act 2014 \(Consequential Amendments\) Regulations 2016 \(S.I. 2016/413\)](#), regs. 2(1), **121**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Sch. 2 modified (temp.) (12.2.2009 for E. and 31.3.2010 for W.) by [Children and Young Persons Act 2008 \(c. 23\)](#), ss. 8(3), 44, **Sch. 2 para. 2**; [S.I. 2009/268](#), **art. 3(1)(b)**; [S.I. 2010/749](#), **art. 2(a)**

Commencement Information

II Sch. 2 wholly in force at 14.10.1991 see s. 108(2)(3) and [S.I. 1991/828](#), **art. 3(2)**

PART II

CHILDREN LOOKED AFTER BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES [^{F1}IN ENGLAND]

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in Sch. 2 Pt. 2 inserted (6.4.2016) by [The Social Services and Well-being \(Wales\) Act 2014 \(Consequential Amendments\) Regulations 2016 \(S.I. 2016/413\)](#), regs. 2(1), **112**

[^{F1} Preparation for ceasing to be looked after

Textual Amendments

F1 Sch. 2 Pt. II paras. 19A-19C and preceding cross-headings inserted (1.10.2001) by [2000 c. 35, s. 1](#); [S.I. 2001/2191](#), **art. 2**; [S.I. 2001/2878](#), **art. 2**

^{F2} 19A It is the duty of the local authority looking after a child to advise, assist and befriend him with a view to promoting his welfare when they have ceased to look after him.

Textual Amendments

F2 Sch. 2 Pt. II paras. 19A-19C and preceding cross-headings inserted (1.10.2001) by [2000 c. 35, s. 1](#); [S.I. 2001/2191](#), **art. 2**; [S.I. 2001/2878](#), **art. 2**

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^{F3} 19B(1) A local authority shall have the following additional functions in relation to an eligible child whom they are looking after.

(2) In sub-paragraph (1) “eligible child” means, subject to sub-paragraph (3), a child who—

- (a) is aged sixteen or seventeen; and
- (b) has been looked after by a local authority [^{F4}or by a local authority in Wales] for a prescribed period, or periods amounting in all to a prescribed period, which began after he reached a prescribed age and ended after he reached the age of sixteen.

(3) The [^{F5}Secretary of State] may prescribe—

- (a) additional categories of eligible children; and
- (b) categories of children who are not to be eligible children despite falling within sub-paragraph (2).

(4) For each eligible child, the local authority shall carry out an assessment of his needs with a view to determining what advice, assistance and support it would be appropriate for them to provide him under this Act—

- (a) while they are still looking after him; and
- (b) after they cease to look after him,

and shall then prepare a pathway plan for him.

(5) The local authority shall keep the pathway plan under regular review.

(6) Any such review may be carried out at the same time as a review of the child’s case carried out by virtue of section 26.

(7) The [^{F6}Secretary of State] may by regulations make provision as to assessments for the purposes of sub-paragraph (4).

(8) The regulations may in particular provide for the matters set out in section 23B(6).]

Textual Amendments

- F3** Sch. 2 Pt. II paras. 19A-19C and preceding cross-headings inserted (1.10.2001) by 2000 c. 35, s. 1; S.I. 2001/2191, art. 2; S.I. 2001/2878, art. 2
- F4** Words in Sch. 2 para. 19B(2)(b) inserted (6.4.2016) by The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/413), regs. 2(1), 115(a)
- F5** Words in Sch. 2 para. 19B(3) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/413), regs. 2(1), 115(b)
- F6** Words in Sch. 2 para. 19B(7) substituted (6.4.2016) by The Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2016 (S.I. 2016/413), regs. 2(1), 115(c)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 2 pt. II para. 19B(2) restricted (W.) (1.10.2001) by S.I. 2001/2189, reg. 3(2)

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

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

- s. 4(1A)(aa) inserted by [2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 21\(3\)](#)
- s. 4(1C) inserted by [2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 21\(4\)](#)
- s. 4ZA(2)(aa) inserted by [2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 4ZA(3A) inserted by [2009 c. 24 Sch. 6 para. 22\(4\)](#)
- s. 8(4)(k) inserted by [2021 c. 17 s. 52\(1\)](#)
- s. 31A(4A) inserted by [2014 c. 6 s. 15\(2\)\(b\)](#)