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**The Environmental Assessment of Plans
and Programmes (Wales) Regulations 2004**

PART 4

POST-ADOPTION PROCEDURES

Information as to adoption of plan or programme

16.—(1) As soon as reasonably practicable after the adoption of a plan or programme for which an environmental assessment has been carried out under these Regulations, the responsible authority must—

- (a) make a copy of the plan or programme and its accompanying environmental report available at its principal office for inspection by the public at all reasonable times and free of charge; and
- (b) take such steps as it considers appropriate to bring to the attention of the public—
 - (i) the title of the plan or programme;
 - (ii) the date on which it was adopted;
 - (iii) the address (which may include a website) at which a copy of it and of its accompanying environmental report, and of a statement containing the particulars specified in paragraph (4), may be viewed or from which a copy may be obtained;
 - (iv) the times at which inspection may be made; and
 - (v) that inspection may be made free of charge.

(2) As soon as reasonably practicable after the adoption of a plan or programme—

- (a) the responsible authority must inform—
 - (i) the consultation bodies;
 - (ii) the persons who, in relation to the plan or programme, were public consultees for the purposes of regulation 13; and
 - (iii) where the responsible body is not the National Assembly, the National Assembly; and

(b) the National Assembly must inform the Secretary of State,
of the matters referred to in paragraph (3).

(3) The matters are—

- (a) that the plan or programme has been adopted;
- (b) the date on which it was adopted; and
- (c) the address (which may include a website) at which a copy of—
 - (i) the plan or programme, as adopted;

- (ii) its accompanying environmental report; and
 - (iii) a statement containing the particulars specified in paragraph (4),
may be viewed, or from which a copy may be obtained.
- (4) The particulars referred to in paragraphs (1)(b)(iii) and (3)(c)(iii) are—
- (a) how environmental considerations have been integrated into the plan or programme;
 - (b) how the environmental report has been taken into account;
 - (c) how opinions expressed in response to—
 - (i) the invitation in regulation 13(2)(d);
 - (ii) action taken by the responsible authority in accordance with regulation 13(4),
have been taken into account;
 - (d) how the results of any consultations entered into under regulation 14 have been taken into account;
 - (e) the reasons for choosing the plan or programme as adopted, in the light of the other reasonable alternatives dealt with; and
 - (f) the measures that are to be taken to monitor the significant environmental effects of the implementation of the plan or programme.