## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 ("the Measure") reforms the statutory basis of service improvement and strategic planning by local authorities in Wales.

Certain provisions of the Measure have been brought into force by the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 (Commencement No 1) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/1796 (W.163) (C.88)) and the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 (Commencement No. 2, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/3272 (W.288) (C.145)) ("the No. 2 Order").

The No. 2 Order contains savings provisions which save certain provisions of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1999 ("the 1999 Act") so as to enable Welsh best value authorities to prepare best value performance plans for the financial year 2009-2010 and to enable the Auditor General for Wales to carry out inspections of compliance by those authorities with the requirements of Part 1 of the 1999 Act in the financial year 2009-2010.

This Order clarifies, for the avoidance of doubt, the savings provisions contained in article 3(3)(a) and (4) in the No. 2 Order.