#### WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2021 No. 1360 (W. 356)

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WALES WELL-BEING, WALES

The Corporate Joint Committees (Amendment of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015) Regulations 2021

Made - - - - December 2021

Coming into force - - 3 December 2021

The Welsh Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 84(2)(a) and 174 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021(1).

A draft of this instrument has been laid before and approved by a resolution of Senedd Cymru in accordance with section 174(4) and (5)(1) of that Act.

#### Title and commencement

- 1.—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Corporate Joint Committees (Amendment of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015) Regulations 2021.
  - (2) These Regulations come into force on 3 December 2021.

### Amendment of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

- **2.**—(1) The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015(2) is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 6(1) (meaning of "public body"), after paragraph (b) insert—
  "(ba) a corporate joint committee;".
- (3) After section 8 (Welsh Ministers' well-being objectives) insert—

### "8A Corporate joint committees' well-being objectives

- (1) A corporate joint committee established on or before 1 January 2022 must set and publish its well-being objectives—
  - (a) no later than 1 April 2023, and

<sup>(1) 2021</sup> asc 1.

<sup>(2) 2015</sup> anaw 2.

- (b) at such subsequent times as it considers appropriate.
- (2) A corporate joint committee established after 1 January 2022 must set and publish its well-being objectives—
  - (a) no later than 12 months after the date on which the corporate joint committee is established, and
  - (b) at such subsequent times as it considers appropriate.
- (3) If the well-being goals are amended, a corporate joint committee must review its well-being objectives.
- (4) If, on a review under subsection (3), a corporate joint committee determines that one or more of its well-being objectives are no longer appropriate, it must revise the objective or objectives concerned.
- (5) A corporate joint committee may at any other time review and revise its well-being objectives.
- (6) Where a corporate joint committee revises its well-being objectives under subsection (4) or (5), it must publish them as soon as is reasonably practicable.
- (7) In setting or revising its wellbeing objectives, a corporate joint committee must take into account the Commissioner's report under section 23."
- (4) In section 9(1) (other public bodies' well-being objectives), after "the Welsh Ministers" insert "or a corporate joint committee".
  - (5) In section 55(1) (interpretation), at the appropriate place insert—

""corporate joint committee" ("cyd-bwyllgor corfforedig") means a corporate joint committee established by regulations made under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021;".

Rebecca Evans
Minister for Finance and Local Government, one
of the Welsh Ministers

At 9.55 a.m. on 1 December 2021

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Section 6 of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 ("the Act") lists certain persons as being a "public body" for the purposes of Parts 2 and 3 of the Act.

Part 2 of the Act sets out the well-being goals which public bodies must seek to achieve. Part 3 of the Act enables the office of Future Generations Commissioner for Wales to monitor and assess the extent to which the well-being objectives set by public bodies under Part 2 of the Act are being met.

These Regulations add corporate joint committees, established under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 to the list of public bodies in section 6 of the Act, and as such corporate joint committees are liable to comply with Parts 2 and 3 of the Act.

These Regulations also amend the Act by dis-applying section 9 of the Act in relation to corporate joint committees. Section 8A is inserted into the Act, which specifies when a corporate joint committee must set and review its well-being objectives.

The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to the Regulations which establish corporate joint committees and connected regulations. As a result, a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared. A copy can be obtained from the Local Government Strategic Finance Division, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.