



# Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015

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## *Local strategies*

### **5 Duty to prepare local strategies**

- (1) A local authority and a Local Health Board any part of whose area lies within the area of the local authority must jointly prepare a strategy (“a local strategy”) for the local authority’s area.
- (2) A local strategy must—
  - (a) specify objectives which the local authority and the Local Health Board consider will, if achieved, contribute to the pursuit of the purpose of this Act;
  - (b) specify the periods of time within which the local authority and the Local Health Board propose to achieve the specified objectives;
  - (c) identify the actions the local authority and the Local Health Board propose to take to achieve the specified objectives.
- (3) A local authority and a Local Health Board may specify objectives relating to the whole of the authority’s area or any part of it.
- (4) A local strategy may also include provision relating to specific action which the local authority and the Local Health Board expect to be taken in relation to the local authority’s area by—
  - (a) any public authority with functions which are capable of contributing to the pursuit of the purpose of this Act, or
  - (b) any voluntary organisation or other person whose activities are capable of contributing to the pursuit of that purpose.
- (5) But the inclusion in a local strategy of any provision relating to action mentioned in subsection (4) requires the approval of the body or person concerned.