# PLANNING (WALES) ACT 2015

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

## **Part 3 Development Planning**

### Section 11 – Welsh language

- 48. Section 11 amends sections 61 and 62 of the PCPA 2004.
- 49. The effect of the amendment to section 61 is that the matters affecting the development of the area that must be kept under review now include the use of the Welsh language. This applies to local planning authorities and (by virtue of section 5 of the Act) to strategic planning panels.
- 50. The amendment to section 62 requires a sustainability appraisal of the local development plan to include an assessment of the likely effects of the plan on the use of the Welsh language.