



# Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Act 2018

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## *Enforcement*

### **10 Enforcement action by local authorities**

- (1) A local authority may—
  - (a) bring prosecutions in respect of offences in its area under this Act;
  - (b) investigate complaints in respect of alleged offences in its area under this Act;
  - (c) take any other steps with a view to reducing the incidence in its area of offences under this Act.
- (2) A local authority must—
  - (a) consider, at least once in every period of twelve months, the extent to which it is appropriate for the authority to carry out in its area a programme of enforcement action in relation to this Act, and
  - (b) to the extent that it considers it appropriate to do so, carry out such a programme.
- (3) In complying with subsection (2), an authority must in particular have regard to the following objectives—
  - (a) improving public health;
  - (b) protecting children from harm.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (2), a programme of enforcement action in relation to this Act is a programme involving the taking of all or any of the steps referred to in subsection (1).