

LEARNING AND SKILLS (WALES) MEASURE 2009

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

PART 2 LOCAL CURRICULUM FOR STUDENTS AGED 16 TO 18

Sections 21 – 39 amend, in most cases by inserting new sections, the **Learning and Skills Act 2000**

Section 33 *Joint working: guidance and directions (section 33L of the Learning and Skills Act 2000)*

107. This section relates to the joint-working obligations imposed by section 33K.
108. Subsection (1) provides that a local education authority, a governing body of a maintained secondary school and the governing body of a further education institution are required to have regard to guidance issued by Welsh Ministers as to the discharge of their duties under section 33K.
109. Subsection (2) provides that guidance issued under subsection (1) may relate to the contents of co-operation arrangements.
110. Subsection (3) provides that persons mentioned in subsection (1) must comply with any direction given by Welsh Ministers as to the entering into any co-operation arrangement
111. Subsection (4) makes it clear that directions given under this section may require persons to enter into specified co-operation arrangements and may specify the terms upon which such arrangements are to be entered into. In the case of a direction to enter into a co-operation arrangement with a party other than a Local Education Authority, school governing body or Further Education Institution governing body, such a direction must not be given without the consent of that party. This will include other organisations providing courses of study which are included in local curricula, for example, private training providers or voluntary sector organisations.