RIGHTS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS (WALES) MEASURE 2011

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 5 – Duty to promote knowledge of the Convention

- 47. This requires the Welsh Ministers to take such steps as are appropriate to promote public knowledge and understanding of the Convention and the Optional Protocols. The provision makes clear that the "public" includes children.
- 48. This provision is based to a large extent upon article 42 of the Convention and article 6(2) of the Optional Protocol on the involvement of children in armed conflict, in which States have undertaken to make the principles and provisions of the Convention and that Protocol widely known by adults and children. Section 5 requires the Welsh Ministers to promote public understanding, as well as knowledge.
- 49. Section 1(1), section 8 and the Schedule to the Measure should be referred to in order to find the content of the provisions of the Convention and its Optional Protocols in respect of which the Welsh Ministers must promote public knowledge and understanding.