

*These notes refer to the Childcare Act 2006 (c.21)
which received Royal Assent on 11 July 2006*

CHILDCARE ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS AND SCHEDULES

Part 2 - General Functions of Local Authority: Wales

Section 26: Power to require local authority to assess childcare provision

71. **Section 26** provides the Welsh Assembly with a power to make regulations placing a duty on local authorities in Wales to assess whether childcare provision in their area is sufficient. The regulations may prescribe the interval between assessments and require a review of the assessment. They may define arrangements for consultation and require Welsh local authorities to have regard to guidance issued by the Welsh Assembly in respect of the assessment and review.