

Statutory Instruments with Clear Reports

1 March 2017

SL(5)062 – Partnership Arrangements (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Procedure: Affirmative

Section 166 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 (“the 2014 Act”) enables the Welsh Ministers to make regulations requiring the making of partnership arrangements by combinations of local authorities and Local Health Boards.

The Partnership Arrangements (Wales) Regulations 2015 (“the principal Regulations”) have been made under the powers in section 166 and came into force on 6 April 2016. The principal Regulations require the making of partnership arrangements by specified local authorities and Local Health Boards under the direction of Regional Partnership Boards. The principal Regulations also specify the local authority and Local Health Board functions that are to be carried out by the partnership arrangements.

The 2017 Regulations amend the principal Regulations to add the functions under section 14A of the 2014 Act to the list of Local Health Board functions which are specified to be carried out by the partnership arrangements.

The Regulations also amend regulation 19 of the principal Regulations (establishment and maintenance of pooled funds) by omitting regulation 19(1)(c) and adding a new regulation 19(1A) which requires partnership bodies to consider whether it is appropriate to establish and maintain a pooled fund if they decide to do things jointly in response to an assessment under section 14 of the 2014 Act (known as a population assessment).

They also amend Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations (which specifies the family support functions of integrated family support teams) to insert reference to functions under Part 6 of the 2014 Act, in so far as they relate to the meeting of needs for care and support of children who are looked after by a local authority and the provision of advice and support for young people leaving care.

Parent Act: Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014



Date Laid: 8 February 2017

Coming into force date: Not stated

SL(5)063 – The Non-Domestic Rating (Demand Notices) (Wales) Regulations 2017

Procedure: Negative

These Regulations provide for the contents of non-domestic rates demand notices which are served by billing authorities in Wales, and for the information that must accompany a demand notice served by them. These Regulations apply in relation to demand notices issued in respect of financial years beginning on or after 1 April 2017.

Parent Act: Local Government Finance Act 1988

Date Made: 8 February 2017

Date Laid: 10 February 2017

Coming into force date: 13 March 2017

SL(5)064 – The Social Care Wales (Proceedings before Panels) (Amendment) Regulations 2017

Procedure: Negative

These Regulations amend the Social Care Wales (Proceedings before Panels) Regulations 2016 (“the 2016 Regulations”).

Regulations 10, 23 and 34 of the 2016 Regulations are amended to enable Social Care Wales to apply through the Civil Procedure Rules to the High Court or County Court for a witness summons. The amendment is made in relation to a registration appeals panel, a fitness to practise panel and an interim orders panel.

Parent Act: Regulation and Inspection of Social Care (Wales) Act 2016

Date Made: 7 February 2017

Date Laid: 14 February 2017

Coming into force date: 3 April 2017



SL(5)066 – The Fire and Rescue Services (Emergencies) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2017

Procedure: Negative

The core functions of fire and rescue authorities are set out in sections 6 to 8 of the [Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004](#) (“the Act”). These are the functions in connection with fire safety, fire-fighting and road traffic accidents. Section 9 of the Act allows the Welsh Ministers to specify by order other core functions relating to emergencies for which fire and rescue authorities in Wales must make provision. Emergencies are defined in section 58 of the Act.

The [Fire and Rescue Services \(Emergencies\) \(Wales\) Order 2007](#) (S.I. 2007/3193 (W. 280)) (“the 2007 Order”) specified functions in relation to fire and rescue authorities in Wales in connection with emergencies involving chemical, biological or radio-active contaminants; emergencies involving structural collapse; and emergencies involving trains, trams or aircrafts.

This [Order](#) amends the 2007 Order. Article 2(2) of this Order specifies functions in relation to fire and rescue authorities in Wales in connection with emergencies involving flooding and inland water. Article 2(3) extends article 4(a) of the 2007 Order, which specifies the things that fire and rescue authorities must do in making provision for emergencies detailed in the 2007 Order. In future, as part of making provision for those emergencies, fire and rescue authorities will be required to secure the provision of equipment.

Parent Act: [Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004](#)

Date Made: 15 February 2017

Date Laid: 20 February 2017

Coming into force date: 1 April 2017

