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| **TITLE**  | **Revised programme to improve the accessibility of Welsh law** |
| **DATE**  | **19 January 2024** |
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On 1 November 2023 the second Annual Report on [The future of Welsh law: A programme for 2021 to 2026](https://www.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2021-09/welsh-law-accessibility-programme-2021-to-2026.pdf) was laid before the Senedd, in accordance with section 2(7) of the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019. Paragraph 70 of that report included a commitment to revise the programme to reflect:

1. a commitment to create a Code of law in relation to planning, and to show that a Code of law for the historic environment has been created,
2. information about the project to strengthen the publication of subordinate legislation, and
3. a commitment to consult on proposals to improve the form and structure of legislation.

The Annual Report also included a commitment to lay the revised programme before the Senedd, in accordance with section 2(6) of the 2019 Act.

I am pleased to inform Members that the revised programme has been laid today. I would also encourage you to read the [2022-2023 Annual Report](https://www.gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2023-11/the-future-of-welsh-law-annual-report-2022-to-2023.pdf), which includes a mid-term review of the operation of the Legislation (Wales) Act 2019, fulfilling a commitment made during the passage of the Bill.