

Dear Mick

I would like to acknowledge, with thanks, the Committee's positive feedback on the clarity of wording and intent within the (revised) Parts 4&5 and Part 6 codes of practice, under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act, recently laid before the Assembly.

When co-developing with stakeholders the inaugural suite of codes under the Act, issued in December 2015, Ministers were keen to highlight the aspects with which local authorities – when exercising their social services functions – would be required to comply and those where the application of local discretion was more appropriate. This successful formula will continue as, from time to time, we revise existing codes and new codes are brought forward.

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