

Response form for consultation on draft compliance notice

Consultation closing date: 21 June 2024

Name of body: The North Wales Corporate Joint Committee

The Welsh Language Commissioner ('the Commissioner') is consulting with you on the contents of your draft compliance notice in accordance with section 47 of the <u>Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011</u> ('the Measure'). You should consider the contents of the draft compliance notice alongside the <u>Welsh Language Standards</u> (No.1) Regulations 2015 ('the regulations').

If you do not participate in the consultation, this does not prevent the Commissioner from issuing you with a final compliance notice. The Measure¹ notes that it is your responsibility to show that the requirement to comply with a standard, or to comply with it in a particular respect, is unreasonable or disproportionate.

On the basis of evidence received as part of this consultation, the Commissioner may impose other standards included within the regulations that have not been imposed within the draft compliance notice.²

Please return this form together with any other further information to <u>post@welshlanguagecommissioner.wales</u> by the above closing date.

¹ Section 57(2) of the Measure

² A draft compliance notice is the notice given under section 47 of the Measure

The reasonableness and proportionality of the standards

Please note any standard(s), included within this draft compliance notice (if any), which you consider to be unreasonable and/or disproportionate. Please also note if there are any standard(s) relating to activities that you do not undertake. Provide reasons and/or evidence to support your position.

Where appropriate, you should note whether varying the requirement in accordance with section 44(2) of the Measure (see examples below, such as imposing a different imposition day or imposing another standard relating to the same activity) would make it a reasonable and/or proportionate requirement. You are also welcome to attach any additional materials separately should you wish.

Some standards are reliant on each other. The regulations include tables (in Part 2 of Schedules 1, 3 and 4) to accompany the service delivery standards and operational standards. These tables note which other standards need to be imposed when a particular standard is included in a compliance notice.

Standard	Supporting reasons and evidence for why you are of the opinion that the standard is unreasonable or disproportionate	 Would varying a requirement to comply with a standard make it reasonable and/or proportionate? e.g. introducing the requirement at different times, in different circumstances or in different areas, or imposing another accompanying standard relating to the same activity. You should note what these are and the numbers of any relevant standards, noting all supporting reasons and evidence you consider relevant.
e.g. Standard 22		 e.g. Imposition day of 12 months rather than 6 months. A longer imposition day for a particular department within the organisation.