## SCHEDULES

## SCHEDULE 10

## ACCESSIBILITY FOR DISABLED PUPILS

## *Power of direction*

- 5 (1) This sub-paragraph applies if the appropriate authority is satisfied (whether or not on a complaint) that a responsible body—
  - (a) has acted or is proposing to act unreasonably in the discharge of a duty under this Schedule, or
  - (b) has failed to discharge such a duty.
  - (2) This sub-paragraph applies if the appropriate authority is satisfied (whether or not on a complaint) that a responsible body of a school specified in sub-paragraph (3)—
    - (a) has acted or is proposing to act unreasonably in the discharge of a duty the body has in relation to the provision to the authority of copies of the body's accessibility plan or the inspection of that plan, or
    - (b) has failed to discharge the duty.
  - (3) The schools are—
    - (a) schools approved under section 342 of the Education Act 1996 (nonmaintained special schools);
    - (b) Academies.
  - (4) This sub-paragraph applies if a Tribunal has made an order under paragraph 5 of Schedule 17 and the appropriate authority is satisfied (whether or not on a complaint) that the responsible body concerned—
    - (a) has acted or is proposing to act unreasonably in complying with the order, or
    - (b) has failed to comply with the order.
  - (5) If sub-paragraph (1), (2) or (4) applies, the appropriate authority may give a responsible body such directions as the authority thinks expedient as to—
    - (a) the discharge by the body of the duty, or
    - (b) compliance by the body with the order.
  - (6) A direction may be given in relation to sub-paragraph (1) or (2) even if the performance of the duty is contingent on the opinion of the responsible body.
  - (7) A direction may not, unless sub-paragraph (8) applies, be given to the responsible body of a school in England in respect of a matter—
    - (a) that has been complained about to a Local Commissioner in accordance with Chapter 2 of Part 10 of the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (parental complaints against governing bodies etc.), or
    - (b) that the appropriate authority thinks could have been so complained about.
  - (8) This sub-paragraph applies if—

- (a) the Local Commissioner has made a recommendation to the responsible body under section 211(4) of the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (statement following investigation) in respect of the matter, and
- (b) the responsible body has not complied with the recommendation.

(9) A direction—

- (a) may be varied or revoked by the appropriate authority;
- (b) may be enforced, on the application of the appropriate authority, by a mandatory order obtained in accordance with section 31 of the Senior Courts Act 1981.

(10) The appropriate authority is—

- (a) in relation to the responsible body of a school in England, the Secretary of State;
- (b) in relation to the responsible body of a school in Wales, the Welsh Ministers.