## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends Part 2 of Schedule 19 to the Equality Act 2010 ("the Act") by adding corporate joint committees established by regulations made under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1) to the list of relevant Welsh authorities subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty under section 149(1) of the Act.

The relevant Welsh authorities specified in Part 2 of Schedule 19 to the Act are authorities that satisfy the test in section 157(2) of the Act; that is they are 'devolved Welsh authorities' within the meaning given by section 157A of the Government of Wales Act 2006.

This Order is connected with Regulations which establish certain corporate joint committees under Part 5 of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (asc 1). The Welsh Ministers' Code of Practice on the carrying out of Regulatory Impact Assessments was considered in relation to the Regulations which establish corporate joint committees and connected regulations and orders. As a result a regulatory impact assessment has been prepared. A copy can be obtained at Local Government Strategic Finance Division, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.