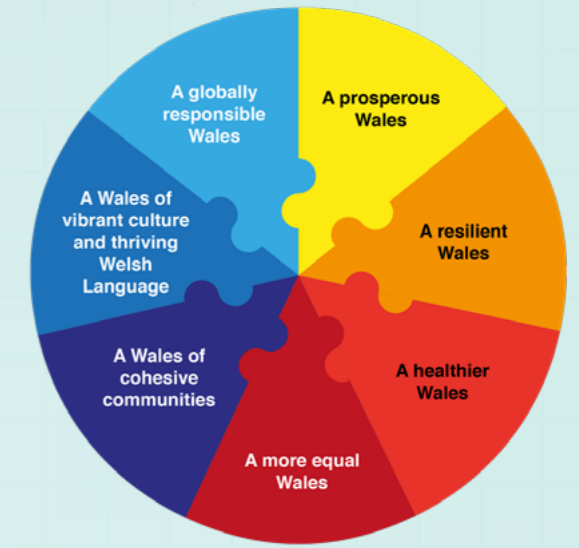


The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

A Level Health and Social Care

What the Welsh Government says about the Act

The Well-being of Future Generations Act gives us the ambition, permission and legal obligation to improve our social, cultural, environmental and economic well-being. The Well-being of Future Generations Act requires public bodies in Wales to think about the long-term impact of their decisions, to work better with people, communities and each other, and to prevent persistent problems such as poverty, health inequalities and climate change. The Act is unique to Wales attracting interest from countries across the world as it offers a huge opportunity to make a long-lasting, positive change to current and future generations.



What is the purpose of the Act?

- The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 is an important piece of legislation for Wales. The main purpose of this act is to ensure Wales as a nation is prepared for the challenges of the future that could have an impact on our everyday lives.
- This act is designed to improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales.
- The Act will ensure that public bodies e.g. Natural Resources Wales, Local Health Boards, Local Authorities and Public Health Wales will work together and with the community to prevent problems that could occur in the future. This will benefit the people of Wales now and in the future.
- This Act ensures that public bodies do not focus on short term solutions to present needs but are also mindful of the needs of future generations.

What are the well-being goals?

There are seven well-being goals. These give public bodies a shared goal and purpose to work towards that will eventually help safeguard the future of the nation. The seven well-being goals are:

- a prosperous Wales
- a resilient Wales
- a healthier Wales
- a more equal Wales
- a Wales of cohesive communities
- a Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language
- a globally responsible Wales.

What is the Sustainable Development Principle?

This demonstrates how goals and actions in the Act will be delivered by public bodies. The five aspects that make up the Sustainable Development Principle are:

- Long-term thinking, Prevention, Integration, Collaboration and Involvement.