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**Question 1:** Do you agree that it is necessary to impose a statutory obligation on future governments in Wales in order to improve accessibility of Welsh law?

**Question 2:** If so, do you agree with the approach taken in Part 1 of the Draft Bill to impose such an obligation?

**Question 3:** Do you agree with the approach to application of Part 2 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 4:** Do you agree with the approach in section 3(3) of the Draft Bill, which disapplies a particular rule if the context otherwise requires?

**Question 5:** Do you consider the definition of “Wales” should be by reference to the local authority areas of Wales, or by some other means?

**Question 6:** Do you have any comments on what has, or has not been, included in Schedule 1 to the Draft Bill?

**Question 7:** Do you agree with the approach in section 7 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 8:** Do you agree with the proposed approach taken in section 8 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 9:** Do you agree with the inclusion of section 9 in the Draft Bill?

**Question 10:** Do you agree with the approach taken on service of documents in section 13 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 11:** Do you agree with the approach for deemed service (in section 14 of the Draft Bill) or do you consider there is a more precise workable alternative?

**Question 12:** Do you agree with the approach taken in section 16 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 13:** Do you agree with the inclusion of duties in section 18 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 14:** Do you agree with the inclusion of section 19 in the Draft Bill?

**Question 15:** Do you agree with the inclusion of section 20 in Draft Bill?

**Question 16:** Do you agree with the approach taken in section 22 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 17:** Do you think the Draft Bill should make provision on duplication of criminal offences (section 26), or should we follow the approach taken in Scotland and leave this as a matter dealt with in the 1978 Act?

**Question 18:** Should the Draft Bill make provision about Acts binding the Crown

(section 27), or should this be addressed in another way?

**Question 19:** Do you agree with the approach taken in section 30 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 20:** Do you consider that section 35(2)(a) of the Draft Bill provides an accurate reflection of the common law provision?

**Question 21:** Do you agree with the approach taken in section 33 of the Draft Bill?

**Question 22:** Should the continued use of long titles in modern drafting of Bills be reconsidered?

**Question 23:** Do you have any views on the other matters which could be addressed by way of future legislation (as set out in Part 3 of the Consultation Paper)?

**Question 24:** Do you have any comments on the Draft Regulatory Impact Assessment for the Draft Bill?

**Question 25:** Do you have any comments on the draft impact assessments for Welsh Language, Children’s Rights, or Equality and Human Rights?

**Question 26**: We would like to know your views on the effect developing the Draft Bill could have on the Welsh language, in particular in respect of:

1. helping people to use Welsh, and
2. treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English.

What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

**Question 27**: Please also explain how you believe the Draft Bill could be formulated or changed so as to have:

1. positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language, and
2. no adverse effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language.

**Question 28**: We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have views on any related issues that we have not specifically addressed, please set them out here:

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