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# The Future Generations Report 2020



**Let's create the future together**

# Chapter 7

## **Next steps**

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The outbreak of the COVID-19 virus has been disruptive for the World and our society. It has also affected my plans for the launch of this report and for taking it forward.

As I set out at the beginning of this report, I will not be expecting public bodies to respond to it in the short term but will take stock regularly with the Auditor General when we can reasonably expect public bodies to be in a position to respond fully. In the meantime, I will be making it clear to government that while I do not expect a full response immediately they must put in place arrangements to ensure that the advice contained in this report is taken into account where new policies are being taken forward - in the short term too.

I do not see the development and publication of this report as an end in itself. It will be an important legacy on which the work of my office will be based going forward, for the rest of my term of office and beyond, until the publication of the next Future Generations Report. This report brings together all of the streams of work that my team and I have undertaken in the last four years: the evidence that we have collected, the advice I have given, and analysis undertaken to arrive at the findings, recommendations and ideas I have put forward.

It sets out the areas where the Welsh Government and other public bodies should focus in meeting the aspirations of the Act and should be used to guide the work of all public bodies now and when they come to review their well-being objectives.

I will use the contents of this report as a benchmark in the exercise of my monitoring and assessing duty, looking in particular at how my recommendations will be implemented.

The key findings will be used to focus the advice I will give public bodies and Public Services Boards as well as help me select the areas for potential review under my Section 20 powers. I will continue involving and engaging the people of Wales and the organisations which took part in the Our Future Wales conversation as well as the partners I have had over the years, and seek to expand this network further in the coming years.

In the months following publication of this report my focus will be on:

- Sharing its findings with the many organisations and champions who I have engaged with, to develop a movement for change around the Act. The support of organisations big and small, voluntary, private and public across Wales will be as important to taking forward my recommendations, as my own team.
- Helping public bodies embed my advice.
- Using the findings to bring together people from across Wales to provide ideas and leadership on how we can reform policy and services in light of the outbreak of COVID-19.
- Working with political parties to secure adoption of the recommendations in this report in their manifestos for the next Assembly Election.





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