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- ⇒ Thinking and planning for the long term
- ⇒ Key elements of the legislation
- ⇒ The role of the FGC office
- \Rightarrow What does it mean for us?



Thinking and planning for the long term







2042 (25 years ahead) – what could it be like?

We don't know...

...but what we do know is that the decisions we make today will have an impact on future generations.









Well-being Goals – WHAT the public service is working towards

Goal	Description of the goal
A prosperous Wales	An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.
A resilient Wales	A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change).
A healthier Wales	A society in which people's physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.
A more equal Wales	A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio economic background and circumstances).
A Wales of cohesive communities	Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected communities.
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language	A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, and sports and recreation.
A globally responsible Wales	A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.



Five ways of working – HOW the public service needs to work differently

Long term



The importance of balancing short-term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to also meet long-term needs.

Prevention

How acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may help public bodies meet their objectives.

Integration

Considering how the public body's well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, on their other objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies.

Collaboration



Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the body itself) that could help the body to meet its well-being objectives.

Involvement

The importance of involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.



Well-being Duty

Each public body must carry out sustainable development.

Sustainable development means the process of **improving** the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales by taking action, in accordance with the sustainable development principle, aimed at achieving the well-being goals.

The action a public body takes in carrying out sustainable development must include:

- (a) Setting and publishing well-being objectives that are **designed** to **maximise** its contribution to achieving each of the well-being goals, and
- (b) Taking all reasonable steps (in exercising its functions) to meet those objectives.





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"...a guardian of the ability of future generations to meet their needs..."

Term of seven years.

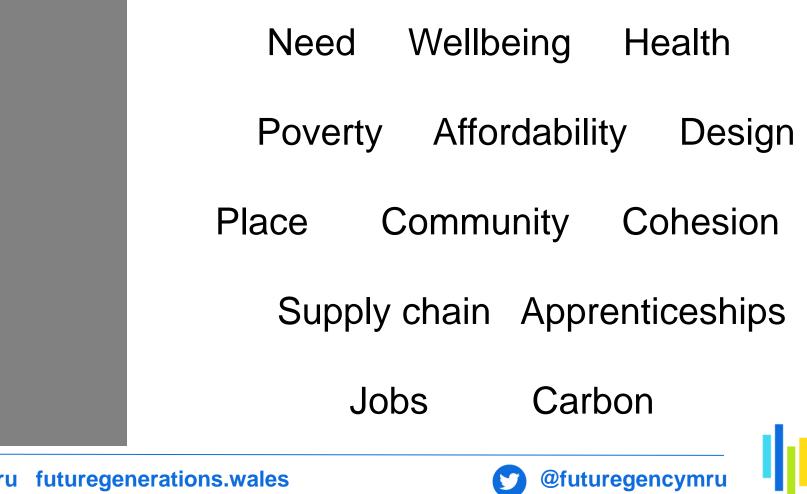
Independent of government

Balance of support and challenge functions.





What does it mean for us?



o Raising our own game

o Collaboration with others

Engagement Public Service Board



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