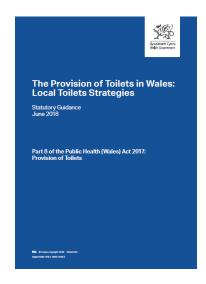
# The Provision of Toilets in Wales: Local Toilets Strategy





Public Health (Wales) Act
2017

 Welsh Government published statutory guidance in June 2018



The Public Health (Wales) Bill proposes changes to the law in Wales to improve health and prevent avoidable health harms.



#### These include:

Restrictions on smoking in:

- » school grounds
- » hospital grounds
- » public playgrounds.



A national **register of retailers** of tobacco / nicotine products.

Prohibiting **handing over** tobacco *l* nicotine products to under-18s.

A licensing system for practitioners of **special procedures** in Wales:

- » acupuncture
- » body piercing
- » electrolysis
- » tattooing.



Prohibiting the **intimate piercing** of a person under the age of 16.

Requiring health impact assessments to be carried out for key decisions.



Maximising the public health role of community **pharmacies** to meet the needs of communities.



A duty on each local authority in Wales to publish a **local toilets strategy.** 



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 The Act places a duty on each Local Authority in Wales to prepare and publish a local toilet strategy for its area.

- To create a strategic and transparent approach
- To improve access to toilets available for public use

 The Act does not require Local Authorities to provide and maintain public toilets themselves but take a strategic view as to how facilities can be provided and accessed by the local population

 It should encourage community involvement and involvement of private businesses and other organisations to help provide solutions

 The first stage of this process is to assess the community's need for toilets, including changing facilities for babies and changing places for people

with a disability



 This information will inform the development of a draft strategy which must include a plan to address identified needs

- Produce a draft plan which will be released for formal consultation between December 2018 + February 2019
- Final strategy must be published by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019
- Provide statement of progress after 2 years + review strategy within a year of each local election