# SL(5)284 – The Environmental Noise (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2018

### Background and Purpose

These Regulations amend the Environmental Noise (Wales) Regulations 2006 so as to require the Welsh Ministers and operators of non-designated major airports (of which there are currently none in Wales) to use the assessment methods set out in Annex II to Directive 2002/49/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2002 relating to the assessment and management of environmental noise.

The 2002 Directive has been replaced by the Annex to Commission Directive 2015/996 which has established common noise assessment methods when preparing strategic noise maps under the 2006 Regulations.

#### **Procedure**

Negative.

#### **Technical Scrutiny**

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.2 in respect of this instrument.

### **Merits Scrutiny**

No points are identified for reporting under Standing Order 21.3 in respect of this instrument.

## Implications arising from exiting the European Union

These Regulations implement and enforce EU obligations in respect of environmental noise.

These Regulations form part of "EU-derived domestic legislation" under section 2 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, therefore these Regulations will be retained as domestic law and will continue to have effect in Wales on and after exit day.

#### Government Response

No government response is required.

Legal Advisers

Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee
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