

Government Response to draft CLAC Report on The Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (Wales) Regulations 2019

This response refers to the Technical point raised in the draft CLAC report on the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (Wales) Regulations 2019, in respect of a discrepancy between the Welsh and English texts in paragraph 71(c) of the Schedule.

The English version of the regulations has been identified as including the correct specification, a size of “between approximately 30 millimetres and 130 millimetres in length”. Therefore, the corresponding Welsh text should read as follows:

“rhwng 30 o filimetrau a 130 o filimetrau o hyd”.

Given that it is unclear on the face of the instrument which text is correct, we intend on rectifying the error by means of an amending SI as soon as possible. This will ensure that the impact on the consumers of these products caused by this error, is kept to a minimum. As this will involve drafting a short SI, which can be made under the negative resolution procedure, that amending SI can come into force in the near future. Furthermore, an updating SI, which will update the list of Authorised Fuels will be produced and come into force before the end of this year and therefore these Regulations, as well as the amending instrument will be revoked at that point (following the pattern in these Regulations).