

These notes relate to the Food (Scotland) Act 2015 (asp 1) which received Royal Assent on 13 January 2015

FOOD (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 1: Food Standards Scotland

Section 2: Objectives

6. [Section 2](#) gives FSS' three objectives: to protect the public from risks arising from consuming food, to improve the diet of the public and to protect consumers' other interests with regards to food. These objectives are deliberately wide in scope. This gives FSS flexibility to be involved in a very broad range of policies, too numerous to try to define. For example FSS, under these objectives could contribute to policies on animal health or to policies which would be marginal to food itself such as food sustainability or food poverty. The general nature of the objectives gives FSS the flexibility and authority to act in relation to a wide range of food matters.