



South of Scotland Enterprise Act 2019

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Aims and powers

5 Aims

- (1) South of Scotland Enterprise's aims are to—
 - (a) further the sustainable economic and social development of the South of Scotland, and
 - (b) improve the amenity and environment of the South of Scotland.
- (2) Achieving those aims may involve taking action directed towards (amongst other things)—
 - (a) supporting inclusive and sustainable economic growth,
 - (b) providing, maintaining and safeguarding employment,
 - (c) increasing the number of residents in the South of Scotland who are of working age,
 - (d) enhancing skills and capacities relevant to employment,
 - (e) encouraging business start-ups and entrepreneurship,
 - (f) supporting inclusive business models (such as social enterprises and co-operatives of any kind),
 - (g) promoting commercial and industrial—
 - (i) efficiency,
 - (ii) innovativeness, and
 - (iii) international competitiveness,
 - (h) promoting digital connectivity,
 - (i) promoting improved transport services and infrastructure,
 - (j) supporting communities to help them meet their needs,
 - (k) supporting community ownership of land and other assets,
 - (l) maintaining, protecting and enhancing the natural and cultural heritage and environmental quality of the South of Scotland,
 - (m) promoting the sustainable and efficient use and re-use of resources,
 - (n) supporting the transitions required to meet the net-zero emissions target (as defined in section A1 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009),

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- (o) encouraging and facilitating collaborations between persons that will advance one or more of South of Scotland Enterprise's aims.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations alter South of Scotland Enterprise's aims by modifying this section.

Commencement Information

II S. 5 in force at 1.4.2020 by [S.S.I. 2019/308](#), [reg. 3\(2\)](#) (as amended by [S.S.I. 2020/85](#), regs. 1, 2)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing S.S.I. 2019/308, reg. 3 by [S.S.I. 2020/85 reg. 2](#)