

*These notes relate to the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006
(asp 17) which received Royal Assent on 20 December 2006*

PLANNING ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

Part 9 – Business Improvement Districts

Section 33 – Arrangements with respect to business improvement districts

188. **Section 33** enables a local authority to make arrangements for a Business Improvement District (BID) in a defined area within the local authority's boundary for the benefit of those identified in the BID proposals. In practice, a local authority will be required to supply the information that the persons drawing up the "BID proposals" need to identify the relevant non-domestic properties in the area, and the level of service provision currently provided in that area. Section 33 also makes explicit that a BID project in a local authority area need not involve businesses that are within a discrete geographic area, but can consist of businesses that are linked thematically, or that are near to one another without being wholly adjacent to each other.