



# Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967

## 1967 CHAPTER 86

### PART II

#### ACCESS TO OPEN COUNTRY

#### **12 Commission to consult with local planning authorities and other bodies on access requirements**

- (1) In the exercise of their duty under section 3(a) above to keep under review the need to secure public access to the countryside for the purposes of open-air recreation, the Commission shall consult from time to time with local planning authorities and with such bodies as appear to the Commission to be representative of owners and occupiers of land for the purpose of ascertaining what land there is of the descriptions specified in section 10(2) above and considering what action should be taken, whether by the making of access agreements or orders or by the acquisition of land, for securing such public access.
- (2) In considering what action should be taken as aforesaid, the Commission and the local planning authority shall have regard to all relevant circumstances, including—
  - (a) in the case of particular land, the extent to which such access as aforesaid is likely to be available without such action being taken, and
  - (b) generally, the extent to which there is a need for greater facilities in the area of the authority for such access, whether for persons living in their area or for other persons.