



# Natural Heritage (Scotland) Act 1991

## 1991 CHAPTER 28

### PART I

#### SCOTTISH NATURAL HERITAGE

##### *Functions of SNH*

### 3 Duty to take account of certain matters.

- (1) Subject to subsection (2) below, it shall be the duty of SNH in exercising its [<sup>F1</sup>natural heritage] functions to take such account as may be appropriate in the circumstances of—
- (a) actual or possible ecological and other environmental changes to the natural heritage of Scotland;
  - (b) the needs of agriculture, fisheries and forestry;
  - (c) the need for social and economic development in Scotland or any part of Scotland;
  - (d) the need to conserve sites and landscapes of archaeological or historical interest;
  - (e) the interests of owners and occupiers of land; and
  - (f) the interests of local communities.
- (2) Paragraphs (b) to (f) of subsection (1) above shall not apply as regards any function exercised by SNH in pursuance of any of paragraphs (b) to (e) of section 133(2) of the <sup>M1</sup>Environmental Protection Act 1990 (special functions to be exercised through the joint committee).

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 3(1) inserted (1.8.2010) by [Public Services Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(asp 8\)](#), s. 134(7), [Sch. 1 para. 4](#); S.S.I. 2010/221, art. 3(2), Sch.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 3 wholly in force at 27.11.1991 see s. 28(2) and [S.I. 1991/2633, art. 3, Sch.](#)

**Marginal Citations**

**M1** [1990 c. 43.](#)

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