

## Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 2004 asp 6

## PART 1

## BIODIVERSITY

## 1 Duty to further the conservation of biodiversity

- (1) It is the duty of every public body and office-holder, in exercising any functions, to further the conservation of biodiversity so far as is consistent with the proper exercise of those functions.
- (2) In complying with the duty imposed by subsection (1) a body or office-holder must have regard to—
  - (a) any strategy designated under section 2(1), and
  - (b) the United Nations Environmental Programme Convention on Biological Diversity of 5 June 1992 as amended from time to time (or any United Nations Convention replacing that Convention).