

*These notes relate to the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005  
(asp15) (asp 15) which received Royal Assent on 14 December 2005*

# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2005 (ASP15)**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION**

#### **Part 2 – Environmental Reports and Consultation**

##### ***Section 16 – Consultation procedures***

38. **Section 16** sets out the framework for formal consultation with the Consultation Authorities and the public. It is intended that it will help to ensure that all stakeholders can contribute effectively, especially those likely to be affected directly by the plan or programme. Consultation must be sufficiently early in the process to allow for that consultation to be effective.