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SCHEDULE 2

(introduced by section 7(2))

CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING THE LIKELY SIGNIFICANCE OF EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT

- 1 The characteristics of plans and programmes, having regard, in particular to—
- (a) the degree to which the plan or programme sets a framework for projects and other activities, either with regard to the location, nature, size and operating conditions or by allocating resources;
 - (b) the degree to which the plan or programme influences other plans and programmes including those in a hierarchy;
 - (c) the relevance of the plan or programme for the integration of environmental considerations in particular with a view to promoting sustainable development;
 - (d) environmental problems relevant to the plan or programme; and
 - (e) the relevance of the plan or programme for the implementation of [F1retained EU law] on the environment (for example, plans and programmes linked to waste management or water protection).

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in [sch. 2 para. 1\(e\)](#) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Environmental Assessment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(S.S.I. 2019/178\)](#), regs. 1(2)(b), **3(6)(a)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Commencement Information

- II** Sch. 2 para. 1 in force at 20.2.2006 by [S.S.I. 2006/19](#), [art. 2](#)

- 2 Characteristics of the effects and of the area likely to be affected, having regard, in particular, to—
- (a) the probability, duration, frequency and reversibility of the effects;
 - (b) the cumulative nature of the effects;
 - (c) the transboundary nature of the effects;
 - (d) the risks to human health or the environment (for example, due to accidents);
 - (e) the magnitude and spatial extent of the effects (geographical area and size of the population likely to be affected);
 - (f) the value and vulnerability of the area likely to be affected due to—
 - (i) special natural characteristics or cultural heritage;
 - (ii) exceeded environmental quality standards or limit values; or
 - (iii) intensive land-use; and
 - (g) the effects on areas or landscapes which have a recognised national ^{F2}... or international protection status.

Textual Amendments

- F2** Word in [sch. 2 para. 2](#) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Environmental Assessment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(S.S.I. 2019/178\)](#), regs. 1(2)(b), **3(6)(b)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

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