

*These notes relate to the Climate Change (Scotland) Act
2009 (asp 12) which received Royal Assent on 4 August 2009*

CLIMATE CHANGE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2009

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 4 – Duties of Public Bodies Relating to Climate Change

Guidance to relevant public bodies

88. [Section 45](#) provides that the Scottish Ministers can give guidance to relevant public bodies in relation to climate change duties and that those bodies must have regard to such guidance. Subsections (2) and (3) oblige the Scottish Ministers to consult with such associations of local authorities and such other persons as they consider appropriate before giving guidance, in so far as it is reasonably practicable to do so. Subsection (4) allows the Scottish Ministers to vary or revoke this guidance. If the guidance is to be varied to a substantial extent then the consultation requirement in subsections (2) and (3) applies. Subsection (5) requires the Scottish Ministers to publish such guidance.