



Planning (Scotland) Act 2019

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PART 3

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

Assessment of environmental effects

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- (1) The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 40 (assessment of environmental effects)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), after “effects” insert “, including effects on biodiversity,”,
 - (b) after subsection (4) insert—

“(4A) In subsection (1), “effects on biodiversity” includes the net positive effects on biodiversity that would be likely to result from the development.”.

Commencement Information

II S. 24 in force at 1.12.2019 by [S.S.I. 2019/385](#), reg. 2, [sch.](#)

Changes to legislation:

Planning (Scotland) Act 2019, Section 24 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 03 October 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing S.S.I. 2019/377, reg. 9 by [S.S.I. 2019/411 reg. 2](#)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing S.S.I. 2021/101, regs. 3, 4 by [S.S.I. 2021/291 reg. 2](#)