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## SCHEDULE SCOTTISH FOOD COMMISSION: CONSTITUTION AND OPERATION

PROSPECTIVE

### PART 4

#### ACCOUNTABILITY

##### *Corporate plan*

- 9 (1) The Commission must submit a corporate plan to the Scottish Ministers.
- (2) Sub-paragraph (1) must be complied with as soon as reasonably practicable after the day this paragraph comes into force.
- (3) The corporate plan must set out how the Commission intends to exercise its functions.
- (4) The corporate plan may include such other material as the Commission considers appropriate.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers must—
- (a) approve the corporate plan,
  - (b) approve the corporate plan with any modifications they consider appropriate, or
  - (c) decline to approve the corporate plan.
- (6) Where the Scottish Ministers intend to approve the corporate plan with modifications, they must consult the Commission before doing so.
- (7) If sub-paragraph (5)(b) or (c) applies, the Commission must, as soon as reasonably practicable, modify the corporate plan and submit the modified plan to the Scottish Ministers.
- (8) Sub-paragraphs (5) to (7) apply to the corporate plan as modified.
- (9) As soon as reasonably practicable after it is approved by the Scottish Ministers—
- (a) the Commission must publish the corporate plan, and
  - (b) the Scottish Ministers must lay a copy of the corporate plan before the Scottish Parliament.
- (10) The Commission—
- (a) may revise the corporate plan at any time, and
  - (b) must revise the corporate plan when required to do so by the Scottish Ministers.
- (11) Sub-paragraphs (1) and (3) to (10) apply to a revised corporate plan as they apply to the first corporate plan.

#### **Commencement Information**

- II** Sch. para. 9 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 28\(2\)](#)

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### *Accounts and audit*

- 10 (1) The Commission must—
- (a) keep proper accounts and accounting records,
  - (b) prepare in respect of each financial year a statement of accounts, and
  - (c) send a copy of the statement to the Auditor General for Scotland for auditing.
- (2) The Commission must comply with any directions which the Scottish Ministers give it in relation to the matters mentioned in sub-paragraphs (1)(a) and (b).

#### **Commencement Information**

**I2** Sch. para. 10 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 28\(2\)](#)

### *Annual report*

- 11 The Commission must, as soon as reasonably practicable after each financial year—
- (a) prepare and make publicly available a report of its activities during the year,
  - (b) send a copy of the report to the Scottish Ministers, and
  - (c) lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.

#### **Commencement Information**

**I3** Sch. para. 11 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 28\(2\)](#)

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