

## Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 2019 asp 13

## PART 3

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

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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.".