

# National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000

Purpose and functions of National Park authorities

#### 9 General purpose and functions

- (1) The general purpose of a National Park authority is to ensure that the National Park aims are collectively achieved in relation to the National Park in a co-ordinated way.
- (2) A National Park authority has, in relation to the National Park—
  - (a) the general powers conferred by virtue of schedule 2,
  - (b) the functions conferred by virtue of schedule 3,
  - (c) such planning functions as may be conferred under section 10,
  - (d) such additional functions as the designation order may specify, and
  - (e) such other functions as are conferred by virtue of this Act.
- (3) A National Park authority may do anything which it considers is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to—
  - (a) accomplishing the purpose set out in subsection (1),
  - (b) carrying out any function conferred on it by virtue of any other enactment.
- (4) Subsection (3) is without prejudice to any powers exercisable apart from that subsection but does not confer power—
  - (a) to do anything in contravention of any restriction imposed by virtue of this Act in relation to any express power of the authority,
  - (b) to raise money in a manner which is not authorised apart from that subsection.
- (5) A thing is not, however, excluded from being done under subsection (3) merely because it involves expenditure, borrowing or lending of money or acquiring or disposing of property.
- (6) In exercising its functions a National Park authority must act with a view to accomplishing the purpose set out in subsection (1); but if, in relation to any matter, it appears to the authority that there is a conflict between the National Park aim set out in section 1(a) and other National Park aims, the authority must give greater weight to the aim set out in section 1(a).

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