



# Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

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## PART 1

### POLICE REFORM

#### CHAPTER 4

##### PRINCIPLES, PRIORITIES, OBJECTIVES AND PLANS

### 32 Policing principles

The policing principles are—

- (a) that the main purpose of policing is to improve the safety and well-being of persons, localities and communities in Scotland, and
- (b) that the Police Service, working in collaboration with others where appropriate, should seek to achieve that main purpose by policing in a way which—
  - (i) is accessible to, and engaged with, local communities, and
  - (ii) promotes measures to prevent crime, harm and disorder.

#### Commencement Information

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