



UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

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PART 2

ENVIRONMENT

CHAPTER 1

ENVIRONMENTAL PRINCIPLES

16 Purpose of the duties under sections 14 and 15

- (1) Those to whom the duties in sections 14 and 15 apply are to comply with the duties with a view to—
 - (a) protecting and improving the environment, and
 - (b) contributing to sustainable development.
- (2) In subsection (1), “the environment”—
 - (a) means all, or any, of the air, water and land (including the earth’s crust), and “air” includes the air within buildings and the air within other natural or man-made structures above or below ground, and
 - (b) includes wild animal and plant life and the habitats of wild animal and plant life.
- (3) In subsection (2)(b), “animal and plant life” includes any living organisms.