
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Order 1992 (“the principal Order”). Schedule 1 to the principal Order specifies classes of development to which permitted development rights apply. Where such rights apply, an application for planning permission is not needed. This Order extends permitted development rights to the following microgeneration equipment—

- (a) underground pipes required in connection with ground source heat pumps and water source heat pumps;
- (b) solar PV or solar thermal equipment;
- (c) biomass equipment; and
- (d) anaerobic digestion.

Article 2(2) amends Schedule 1 of the principal Order. It provides permitted development rights for the installation, alteration or replacement of such microgeneration equipment on or within the curtilage of non-domestic buildings, subject to certain limitations and conditions.

A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared in relation to this Order and can be obtained free of charge from the Scottish Government Planning Directorate, Area 2H, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ.