Fairer Scotland Duty

Assessment not required declaration

Policy title	Permitted Development Rights Review – Phase 3
Directorate:	Local Government & Housing
Division: Team:	Planning, Architecture and Regeneration Development Management
Policy lead responsible for taking the decision	Tom Winter

Rationale for decision

The changes to permitted development rights (PDR) being taken forward through Phase 3 are not considered to constitute a strategic decision for the purposes of the Fairer Scotland Duty. The measures alter the process by which specified forms of development are consented, in order to support wider Scottish Government policy objectives. The new and extended PDR have been informed by the Draft Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan, Heat in Buildings Strategy and National Planning Policy Framework 4 (NPF4).

The types of development for which new or extended PDR are being introduced are either relatively small-scale (e.g. renewable technologies and alteration/replacement windows for domestic and non-domestic buildings) and/or involve minor amendments or clarifications to existing PDR (e.g. electricity network infrastructure).

This is consistent with the approach that was taken for both Phases 1 and 2 of the PDR review.

I confirm that the decision to <u>not</u> carry out a Fairer Scotland assessment has been authorised by:

Name and job title of Deputy Director (or equivalent)	Date authorisation given
Fiona Simpson, Chief Planner	13 March 2024