



Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967

1967 CHAPTER 86

PART III

PUBLIC PATHS AND LONG-DISTANCE ROUTES

Long-Distance Routes

39 General provisions as to long-distance routes.

- (1) Where it appears to [^{F1}Scottish Natural Heritage] that the public should be enabled to make extensive journeys on foot, on pedal cycles or on horseback along a particular route, being a route which for the whole or the greater part of its length does not pass along roads mainly used by vehicles, [^{F1}Scottish Natural Heritage] may prepare and submit to the Secretary of State a report under this section.
- (2) A report under this section shall contain a map showing the route, defining those parts thereof over which there exists a public right of way, and indicating in each case the nature of that right; and the report shall set out such proposals as [^{F1}Scottish Natural Heritage] may think fit for the provision, maintenance and enjoyment of the route, and without prejudice to that generality—
 - (a) for the maintenance or improvement of any public path or road along which the route passes;
 - (b) for the provision and maintenance of such new public paths as may be required for enabling the public to journey along the route;
 - (c) for the provision and operation of ferries where they are needed for completing the route; and
 - (d) for the provision of accommodation, toilet facilities, meals and refreshments along the route.
- (3) A report under this section may also include such recommendations as [^{F1}Scottish Natural Heritage] may think fit for the restriction of traffic on existing roads along which the route passes.

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- (4) Before submitting a report under this section [^{F1}Scottish Natural Heritage] shall consult with every local planning authority through whose area the route passes; and it shall be the duty of every such authority to furnish to [^{F1}Scottish Natural Heritage] such information as [^{F1}Scottish Natural Heritage] may reasonably require for the purposes of the report.
- (5) A report under this section shall contain an estimate, in such form as the Secretary of State may require, of the capital outlay and annual expenditure likely to be incurred by any authority in carrying out any such proposals contained therein as are mentioned in subsection (2) above; the report shall also contain any representations made by any authority consulted under subsection (4) above.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 39 substituted (01.04.1992) by [Natural Heritage \(Scotland\) Act 1991 \(c. 28, SIF 46:1\)](#) , s. [14\(3\)](#); S.I. 1991/2633, [art.4](#).

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