



# Countryside Act 1968

## 1968 CHAPTER 41

### *The Countryside Commission*

#### **1 General functions of the Commission**

- (1) The functions of the National Parks Commission shall be enlarged in accordance with this Act and in future their name shall be the " Countryside Commission ".
- (2) The functions conferred by this Act on the said Commission (in this Act referred to as " the Commission ") are to be exercised for the conservation and enhancement of the natural beauty and amenity of the countryside, and encouraging the provision and improvement, for persons resorting to the countryside, of facilities for the enjoyment of the countryside and of open-air recreation in the countryside.
- (3) The Commission shall have power—
  - (a) to make such charges for any of their services as they think fit,
  - (b) to accept any gift or contribution made to them for the purposes of any of their functions, and, subject to the terms of the gift or contribution and to the provisions of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 (in this Act referred to as " the Act of 1949 ") and this Act, to apply it for those purposes, and
  - (c) to do all such things as are incidental to, or conducive to the attainment of the purposes of, any of their functions.
- (4) In section 2(3) of the Act of 1949 (power to pay remuneration to Commission's chairman and deputy chairman) for the words " the chairman and deputy chairman" there shall be substituted the words " any of the members ".
- (5) In sections 1 and 2(1) of the Act of 1949 for the words " National Parks Commission " there shall be substituted the words " Countryside Commission ", and in section 4(1) of the Act of 1949 (Commission's annual report) the reference to the Commission's functions under the Act of 1949 shall include a reference to their functions under this Act.
- (6) In Part III of Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957 (which specifies offices the holders of which are disqualified under that Act) as it applies

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to the House of Commons of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, there shall be inserted at the appropriate point in alphabetical order the entry " Any member of the Countryside Commission in receipt of remuneration ".