



# Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997

## 1997 CHAPTER 8

### [<sup>F1</sup> PART 2

#### DEVELOPMENT PLANS

##### *Local development plans*

#### [<sup>F1</sup>20A Publication of and publicity for local development plan

- (1) As soon as is reasonably practicable after the local development plan is constituted as mentioned in section 20(1), the planning authority are to—
- (a) send two copies of it to the Scottish Ministers,
  - (b) publish it,
  - (c) place a copy of it in each public library in the part of the district to which it relates,
  - (d) both—
    - (i) notify each person who made representations under section 18 or by virtue of section 19A, and
    - (ii) advertise, in a local newspaper,that the local development plan has been published (including the means of publication) and is available for inspection in those libraries.

- [<sup>F2</sup>(1A) In addition to taking the steps required by subsection (1), as soon as reasonably practicable after the local development plan is constituted the planning authority must—
- (a) in the circumstances described by subsection (1B), publish in the prescribed manner a recommended-modification statement, and
  - (b) in the circumstance described by subsection (1C), publish in the prescribed manner a report on modifications (but this requirement is qualified by subsection (1D)).

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- (1B) The circumstances referred to in subsection (1A)(a) are—
- (a) a person appointed under section 19(3) recommended a modification to a proposed version of the plan, and
  - (b) the modification was not made.
- (1C) The circumstance referred to in subsection (1A)(b) is that the constituted plan differs from the proposed plan published under section 18(1)(a) as a result of modifications made under section 18(3), 19(10) or 19A(5)(b)(i).
- (1D) In a case where a report in relation to a proposed version of the plan has been published as required by section 19(5A)—
- (a) if no modifications were subsequently made, a report on modifications need not be published,
  - (b) if modifications were subsequently made, the report on modifications need only set out those modifications.
- (1E) In this section—
- (a) “recommended-modification statement” means a statement that—
    - (i) sets out the modification mentioned in subsection (1B), and
    - (ii) explains, by reference to the grounds prescribed for the purposes of section 19(10)(a)(i), why the modification was not made,
  - (b) “report on modifications” means a report that sets out—
    - (i) the modifications mentioned in subsection (1C), and
    - (ii) the reasons for making them.]
- (2) In<sup>F3</sup>this section], “publish” includes, without prejudice to that expression's generality, publish by electronic means (as for example by means of the internet). ]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Pt. 2 substituted (19.5.2008 for specified purposes, 25.6.2008 for specified purposes, 28.2.2009 in so far as not already in force) by [Planning etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(asp 17\)](#), **ss. 2, 59(2)** (with savings and transitional provisions in [S.S.I. 2008/165](#), arts. 1, 2 and [S.S.I. 2008/427](#), arts. 1(1), 2-5); [S.S.I. 2008/164](#), art. 2(1)(2), **sch.**; [S.S.I. 2009/70](#), art. 2, **sch.**
- F2** [S. 20A\(1A\)-\(1E\)](#) inserted (8.11.2019 for specified purposes, 19.5.2023 in so far as not already in force) by [Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(asp 13\)](#), **ss. 7(13)(a)**, 63(2); [S.S.I. 2019/314](#), reg. 2; [S.S.I. 2023/100](#), reg. 2(2)(a) (with reg. 4)
- F3** Words in [s. 20A\(2\)](#) substituted (8.11.2019 for specified purposes, 19.5.2023 in so far as not already in force) by [Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(asp 13\)](#), **ss. 7(13)(b)**, 63(2); [S.S.I. 2019/314](#), reg. 2; [S.S.I. 2023/100](#), reg. 2(2)(a) (with reg. 4)

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