

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 18

HEAT NETWORKS REGULATION

PART 2

GENERAL PROVISION AS TO THE REGULATOR

General duties

- 3 (1) The regulations may make provision about the duties of the Regulator in carrying out its functions under the regulations.
- (2) The duties may, in particular, include—
- (a) a duty to carry out its functions in a manner best calculated to further its objectives;
 - (b) a duty to consider, when carrying out its functions, the need to ensure that persons carrying out activities under a heat network authorisation or under an installation and maintenance licence are able to finance obligations imposed by or under the regulations;
 - (c) a duty to have regard to the interests of heat network consumers who are in vulnerable circumstances when performing duties imposed by regulations made by virtue of [paragraph \(a\)](#) or [\(b\)](#).
- (3) Regulations made by virtue of [sub-paragraph \(2\)\(a\)](#) may require that the Regulator promote effective competition between persons engaged in, or in commercial activities connected with, the supply of heating, cooling or hot water by means of relevant heat networks.