# LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN SCOTLAND ACT 2003

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## THE ACT – SECTION BY SECTION

### Part 9 – General

### Section 59 – Equal Opportunities

130. This section places a duty on the Scottish Ministers, local authorities, those authorities, bodies, office holders and other persons mentioned in section 16(1) (i.e. those subject to the duty to participate in Community Planning) and any other person discharging a function under the Act to carry out their functions in a way which encourages equal opportunities and observes equal opportunity requirements.