

# Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008 2008 asp 5

#### PART 1

#### PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSIBILITIES

### Co-operation and planning

## 7 Joint public health protection plans

- (1) Each health board must prepare such plans relating to the protection of public health in its area as the board considers appropriate.
- (2) In preparing a plan under subsection (1), a health board must consult the relevant local authority.
- (3) A plan under subsection (1) must—
  - (a) be prepared in accordance with any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers; and
  - (b) include provision about such matters as may be specified in such guidance.
- (4) A board may comply with subsection (1) by incorporating the plan in any other plan the board is required or has power to prepare under any other enactment.
- (5) A board which prepares a plan under subsection (1) must publish the plan (whether as part of another plan in which it is incorporated or otherwise).
- (6) The board—
  - (a) may from time to time vary a plan under subsection (1); and
  - (b) must publish the plan as so varied.
- (7) The board must, before varying a plan under subsection (6)(a), consult the relevant local authority.
- (8) In this section, the "relevant local authority"—
  - (a) is the local authority for the area in relation to which a board is constituted; or
  - (b) where the area of the board comprises or includes the areas of two or more local authorities, is both or all of those authorities.