

**PLANNING AMENDMENT
(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2003**

S.I. 2003 No. 430 (N.I. 8)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

COMMENTARY ON ARTICLES

Other changes relating to enforcement

Article 14 - Listed buildings

This Article provides for the following possible penalties for a person found guilty of an offence involving demolition, or alteration or extension of a listed building affecting its character:

- to be given a term of imprisonment not exceeding 6 months or a fine not exceeding £30,000 or both; or
- imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or a fine. The courts when determining either level of fine shall, in particular, have regard to any financial benefit, which has accrued or appears likely to be accrued, in consequence of the offence.