

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

2004 CHAPTER 5

PART 4

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

Local development orders

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(1) In the principal Act after section 61 (supplementary provision about development orders) there are inserted the following sections—

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- (1) A local planning authority may by order (a local development order) make provision to implement policies—
 - (a) in one or more development plan documents (within the meaning of Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004);
 - (b) in a local development plan (within the meaning of Part 6 of that Act).
- (2) A local development order may grant planning permission—
 - (a) for development specified in the order;
 - (b) for development of any class so specified.
- (3) A local development order may relate to—
 - (a) all land in the area of the relevant authority;
 - (b) any part of that land;
 - (c) a site specified in the order.

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- (4) A local development order may make different provision for different descriptions of land.
- (5) But a development order may specify any area or class of development in respect of which a local development order must not be made.
- (6) A local planning authority may revoke a local development order at any time.
- (7) Schedule 4A makes provision in connection with local development orders.

61B Intervention by Secretary of State or National Assembly

- (1) At any time before a local development order is adopted by a local planning authority the appropriate authority may direct that the order (or any part of it) is submitted to it for its approval.
- (2) If the appropriate authority gives a direction under subsection (1)—
 - (a) the authority must not take any step in connection with the adoption of the order until the appropriate authority gives its decision;
 - (b) the order has no effect unless it (or, if the direction relates to only part of an order, the part) has been approved by the appropriate authority.
- (3) In considering an order or part of an order submitted under subsection (1) the appropriate authority may take account of any matter which it thinks is relevant.
- (4) It is immaterial whether any such matter was taken account of by the local planning authority.
- (5) The appropriate authority—
 - (a) may approve or reject an order or part of an order submitted to it under subsection (1);
 - (b) must give reasons for its decision under paragraph (a).
- (6) If the appropriate authority thinks that a local development order is unsatisfactory—
 - (a) it may at any time before the order is adopted by the local planning authority direct them to modify it in accordance with the direction;
 - (b) if it gives such a direction it must state its reasons for doing so.
- (7) The local planning authority—
 - (a) must comply with the direction;
 - (b) must not adopt the order unless the appropriate authority gives notice that it is satisfied that they have complied with the direction.
- (8) The appropriate authority—
 - (a) may at any time by order revoke a local development order if it thinks it is expedient to do so;
 - (b) must, if it revokes a local development order, state its reasons for doing so.
- (9) Subsections (3) to (6) of section 100 apply to an order under subsection (8) above as they apply to an order under subsection (1) of that section and for that

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purpose references to the Secretary of State must be construed as references to the appropriate authority.

- (10) The appropriate authority is—
 - (a) the Secretary of State in relation to England;
 - (b) the National Assembly for Wales in relation to Wales.

61C Permission granted by local development order

- (1) Planning permission granted by a local development order may be granted—
 - (a) unconditionally, or
 - (b) subject to such conditions or limitations as are specified in the order.
- (2) If the permission is granted for development of a specified description the order may enable the local planning authority to direct that the permission does not apply in relation to—
 - (a) development in a particular area, or
 - (b) any particular development."
- (2) In each of the following provisions of the principal Act in each place where it occurs after "development order" there is inserted "or a local development order"—
 - (a) section 56(5)(a) (definition of material development);
 - (b) section 57(3) (extent of permission granted by development order);
 - (c) section 58(1)(a) (grant of planning permission by development order);
 - (d) section 77(1) (certain applications to be referred to the Secretary of State);
 - (e) section 78(1)(c) (right of appeal in relation to certain planning decisions);
 - (f) section 88(9) (grant of planning permission in enterprise zone);
 - (g) section 91(4)(a) (no limit to duration of planning permission granted by development order);
 - (h) section 108 (compensation for refusal of planning permission formerly granted by development order);
 - (i) section 109(6) (apportionment of compensation for depreciation);
 - (j) section 253(2)(c) (cases in which certain procedures may be carried out in anticipation of planning permission);
 - (k) section 264(5)(b) (land treated not as operational land);
 - (l) section 279(1)(a)(i) (compensation for certain decisions and orders).

(3) Section 333 of the principal Act (regulations and orders) is amended as follows-

- (a) in subsection (4) after "55(2)(f)," there is inserted "61A(5)";
- (b) in subsection (5)(b) after "28," there is inserted "61A(5) (unless it is made by the National Assembly for Wales),".

(4) Schedule 1 further amends the principal Act.