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PART V

ADDITIONAL PLANNING CONTROL

Areas of special architectural or historic interest

Conservation areas

50.—(1) The Department may designate areas of special architectural or historic interest the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance.

(2) The Department may vary or cancel a designation under paragraph (1).

(3) Before making, varying or cancelling a designation under this Article, the Department shall consult with the Historic Buildings Council and with any appropriate district council.

(4) The Department shall publish notice of the designation of any conservation area and of any variation or cancellation of any such designation, with sufficient particulars to identify the area affected, in at least one newspaper circulating in the locality of the area.

(5) Where any area is for the time being designated as a conservation area, special attention shall be paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing its character or appearance in the exercise, with respect to any buildings or other land in that area, of any powers under this Order.

(6) In this Order "conservation area" means an area designated under paragraph (1).