



# Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 36

## PART I

ENGLAND AND WALES

*Reviews of workings*

### 3 Periodical reviews of mineral workings

The following section shall be inserted after section 264 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971—

**“264A Duty of planning authorities to review mineral workings.**

- (1) It shall be the duty of every mineral planning authority—
- (a) to undertake at such intervals as they consider fit reviews of every site in their area in, on or under which operations for the winning and working of minerals—
    - (i) are being carried out; or
    - (ii) have been carried out at any time during the relevant period ; or
    - (iii) are authorised by planning permission but have not been begun ; and
  - (b) to make in respect of any such site any order under section 45, 51, 51A or 5 IB of this Act that they consider appropriate.
- (2) In subsection (1) of this section " the relevant period ", in relation to a review, means the period of five years preceding the date of the beginning of the review or such other period as may be prescribed.”.