



Water Resources Act 1991

1991 CHAPTER 57

PART IX

MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTAL

Offences etc.

217 Criminal liabilities of directors and other third parties.

- (1) Where a body corporate is guilty of an offence under this Act [^{F1}or under section 4 of the Water Act 2003] and that offence is proved to have been committed with the consent or connivance of, or to be attributable to any neglect on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate or any person who was purporting to act in any such capacity, then he, as well as the body corporate, shall be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.
- (2) Where the affairs of a body corporate are managed by its members, subsection (1) above shall apply in relation to the acts and defaults of a member in connection with his functions of management as if he were a director of the body corporate.
- (3) Without prejudice to subsections (1) and (2) above, where the commission by any person of an offence under the water pollution provisions of this Act is due to the act or default of some other person, that other person may be charged with and convicted of the offence whether or not proceedings for the offence are taken against the first-mentioned person.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 217(1) inserted (1.4.2006) by [Water Act 2003 \(c. 37\)](#), s. 105(3), [Sch. 7 para. 12](#); [S.I. 2006/984](#), art. 2(s)(i)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Water Resources Act 1991, Section 217.