STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1998 No. 85

## The Urban Development Corporations in England (Transfer of Property, Rights and Liabilities) (Commission for the New Towns) Order 1998

## **Extended functions of Commission**

**3.**—(1) In subsection (1) of section 36 of the 1981 Act(1) (functions of Commission), in paragraph (a), for the words from "the property" to "this Act," there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraphs—

- "(i) the property of development corporations transferred to the Commission under this Act, and
- (ii) the property of urban development corporations transferred to the Commission by order under section 165B of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980,".

(2) In subsection (2) of that section, after the words "new town" there shall be inserted the words "or urban development area".

(3) In subsection (3) of that section, after the words "subsection (1) above" there shall be inserted the words ", so far as it relates to property of development corporations,".

(4) After that subsection there shall be inserted the following subsection—

"(3A) Subject to the provisions of this Act and to any direction given to them by the Secretary of State under section 37 below, the Commission has power, with a view to the better fulfilment of any of the purposes mentioned in subsection (1) above, so far as it relates to property of urban development corporations,—

- (a) to acquire, hold, manage and turn to account any land or other property, including any interest in or rights over land; and
- (b) to make contributions towards the cost of providing—
  - (i) roads;
  - (ii) water supplies;
  - (iii) gas or electricity services; or
  - (iv) sewerage or sewage disposal services.".

(5) In subsection (4) of that section, after the words "subsection (3)" there shall be inserted the words "or (3A)".

(6) After subsection (4) of that section there shall be inserted the following subsection—

"(4A) In this section "urban development area" means land which is or was, or is or was part of, an urban development area (within the meaning of Part XVI of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980) and—

Section 36 was amended by section 1 of, and paragraph 4 of Schedule 3 and Schedule 4 to, the New Towns and Urban Development Corporations Act 1985 (c. 5).

- (a) any reference to property transferred to the Commission by order under section 165B of that Act includes a reference to rights and liabilities so transferred; and
- (b) in relation to liabilities so transferred, any reference to disposal includes a reference to extinguishment.".