EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Rules amend—

- (a) rule 3.8 of the Civil Procedure Rules 1998 (CPR), to provide that where a rule, practice direction or court order requires a party to do something within a specified time and specifies the consequences of failure to comply, the parties may, by prior written agreement, extend up to a maximum of 28 days the time for doing the act in question, provided that any hearing date is not put at risk as a result;
- (b) rule 54.22, to provide that the President of the Queen's Bench Division will be responsible for nomination of both specialist planning judges and other judges to hear Planning Court claims;
- (c) rule 4 of the Civil Procedure (Amendment) Rules 2014 (SI 2014/407), to remove a typographical error which would otherwise suggest that the list included in that rule is incomplete; and
- (d) rule 25(1) of the Civil Procedure (Amendment No. 4) Rules 2014 (SI 2014/867), to remove a potential doubt as to the effect of that transitional provision in respect of an amendment made in the same Rules to rule 3.12(1) CPR.