

## 2013 CHAPTER 5

## Miscellaneous

## Regulations about ballots

- **17.**—(1) The Department may by regulations make provision in relation to ballots.
- (2) The provision which may be made by regulations under subsection (1) includes provision—
  - (a) as to the timing of ballots,
  - (b) as to the eligible ratepayers entitled to vote in a ballot,
  - (c) as to the question or questions to be asked in a ballot,
  - (d) as to the allocation of votes to those eligible ratepayers entitled to vote in a ballot,
  - (e) as to the form that ballots may take,
  - (f) as to the persons who are to hold ballots,
  - (g) as to the conduct of ballots,
  - (h) conferring power on the Department to declare ballots void in cases of material irregularity,
  - (i) for or in connection with enabling a district council to recover the costs of a ballot from such persons and in such circumstances as may be prescribed.
- (3) Nothing in subsection (2) is to be taken as limiting the power conferred by subsection (1).
- (4) In this section "ballot" means a ballot held for the purposes of section 5(1) or 16(2).

## **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Business Improvement Districts Act (Northern Ireland) 2013, Section 17.