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Effect

196. This section explains the meaning of various terms used in section 58. In particular, it lists the various bodies which are included in the term "local authority" and provides a power for a Minister of the Crown to add to this list of bodies. It also explains what is meant by reference to the carrying-out of official business by members of a local authority.

Example

• A local authority member who is considering an application for planning permission while sitting on a council's Planning Committee would be undertaking "official business".