



# Housing and Planning Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 22

### PART 6

#### PLANNING IN ENGLAND

##### *Planning in Greater London*

#### **149 Planning powers of the Mayor of London**

- (1) In section 2A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (power of Mayor of London to decide applications of potential strategic importance), in subsection (6), for “areas, and” substitute “areas;
  - (aa) may prescribe matters by reference to the spatial development strategy, or a development plan document (within the meaning of Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004), as it has effect from time to time;”.
- (2) In section 74 of that Act (directions etc as to method of dealing with applications), in subsection (1B)—
  - (a) in paragraph (a), for “London borough to refuse” substitute “London borough —
    - (i) to consult with the Mayor of London before granting or refusing an application for planning permission, or permission in principle, that is an application of a prescribed description, or
    - (ii) to refuse”;
  - (b) in paragraph (c), for “such a direction;” substitute “ a direction given by virtue of paragraph (a)(ii). ”;
  - (c) omit the words after that paragraph.
- (3) After that subsection insert—

“(1BA) In subsection (1B) “prescribed” means—

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- (a) prescribed by a development order, or
- (b) specified in directions made under a development order by the Secretary of State or the Mayor of London.

(1BB) Matters prescribed under subsection (1B) by a development order may be prescribed by reference to the spatial development strategy, or a development plan document (within the meaning of Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004), as it has effect from time to time.”

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 172(1)(a) words renumbered as s. 172(1)(a) by [2017 c. 20 s. 26\(8\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 172(1)(b) inserted by [2017 c. 20 s. 26\(8\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)