

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (“the principal Order”). The principal Order specifies classes for the purposes of section 55(2)(f) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, which provides that a change of use of a building or other land does not involve development for the purposes of the Act if the new use and the former use are both within the same specified class.

This Order amends the principal Order by excluding from the specified classes use as a retail warehouse club, and use as a night-club . It also has the effect of including in the shops class (Class A1), use as an internet café, and splitting the former A3 use class (food and drink), into three new classes; Class A3 use as a restaurant or café, Class A4, use as a public house, wine-bar or other drinking establishment; and Class A5, use as a hot food takeaway.

A full regulatory impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business is available on the internet at [www.odpm.gov.uk](http://www.odpm.gov.uk). Copies can be obtained by post from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, 4/H1, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU, or by phoning 0207 944 3947.