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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2012 No. 767**

**The Town and Country Planning (Local  
Planning) (England) Regulations 2012**

**PART 4**

Form and content of documents and regard to be had to certain matters

**Form and content of local plans and supplementary planning documents: general**

- 8.**—(1) A local plan or a supplementary planning document must—
- (a) contain the date on which the document is adopted; and
  - (b) indicate whether the document is a local plan or a supplementary planning document.
- (2) A local plan or a supplementary planning document must contain a reasoned justification of the policies contained in it.
- (3) Any policies contained in a supplementary planning document must not conflict with the adopted development plan.
- (4) Subject to paragraph (5), the policies contained in a local plan must be consistent with the adopted development plan.
- (5) Where a local plan contains a policy that is intended to supersede another policy in the adopted development plan, it must state that fact and identify the superseded policy.

**Form and content of the adopted policies map**

- 9.**—(1) The adopted policies map must be comprised of, or contain, a map of the local planning authority's area which must—
- (a) be reproduced from, or be based on, an Ordnance Survey map;
  - (b) include an explanation of any symbol or notation which it uses; and
  - (c) illustrate geographically the application of the policies in the adopted development plan.
- (2) Where the adopted policies map consists of text and maps, the text prevails if the map and text conflict.

**Local plans and supplementary planning documents: additional matters to which regard is to be had**

- 10.**—(1) The matters (additional to those specified in section 19(2)(a) to (i) of the Act) prescribed for the purposes of section 19(2)(j) of the Act are—
- (a) policies developed by a local transport authority in accordance with section 108 of the Transport Act 2000(1);

- (b) the objectives of preventing major accidents and limiting the consequences of such accidents by pursuing those objectives through the controls described in Article 12 of Council Directive [96/82/EC](#);
  - (c) the need—
    - (i) in the long term, to maintain appropriate distances between establishments and residential areas, buildings and areas of public use, major transport routes as far as possible, recreational areas and areas of particular natural sensitivity or interest, and
    - (ii) in the case of existing establishments, for additional technical measures in accordance with Article 5 of Council Directive [96/82/EC](#) on the control of major accident hazards involving dangerous substances so as not to increase the risks to people;
  - (d) the national waste management plan (which has the same meaning as in the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011(2));
  - (e) where a local planning authority's area is adjacent to Wales, the Planning Policy Wales, published by the Welsh Government in February 2011; and
  - (f) where a local planning authority's area is adjacent to Scotland, the National Planning Framework for Scotland, published by the Scottish Government in June 2009.
- (2) Expressions appearing both in paragraph (1) and in Council Directive [96/82/EC](#) (as amended by Council Directive [2003/105/EC](#)) have the same meaning as in that Directive.