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PART 9

Availability of documents

Availability of documents: general

35.—(1) A document is to be taken to be made available by a local planning authority when—

- (a) made available for inspection, at their principal office and at such other places within their area as the local planning authority consider appropriate, during normal office hours, and
- (b) published on the local planning authority's website,

(2) In relation to any document made available under these Regulations, except a local plan or supplementary planning document which has been adopted or approved, the local planning authority may cease to make the document available once the period specified in paragraph (3) has expired.

- (3) The period mentioned in paragraph (2)—
 - (a) where the document relates to a supplementary planning document or to the local planning authority's statement of community involvement, is 3 months after the day on which the supplementary planning document or statement of community involvement is adopted;
 - (b) where the document relates to a local plan, is the 6 week period referred to in section 113(4) of the Act that applies as regards the local plan concerned.

(4) Where a local planning authority adopt, or the Secretary of State approves, a revision to a local plan or a supplementary planning document, as soon as reasonably practicable after the revision is adopted or approved, the local planning authority must incorporate the revision into the local plan or the supplementary planning document made available in accordance with this regulation.

Copies of documents

36.—(1) A person may request from the local planning authority a copy of a document made available in accordance with regulation 35.

(2) The local planning authority must provide a copy of the document to that person as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of that person's request.

(3) The local planning authority may make a reasonable charge for a copy of a document—

- (a) provided in accordance with paragraph (2), or
- (b) published as required by or under Part 2 of the Act.