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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order is the third commencement order made by the Welsh Ministers under the Planning (Wales) Act 2015 (“the 2015 Act”).

Article 2 brings the following sections of the 2015 Act into force on 1 March 2016:

- section 17 (requirement to carry out pre-application consultation);
- section 18 (requirement to provide pre-application services);
- section 19 (developments of national significance: applications for planning permission);
- section 20 (developments of national significance: secondary consents);
- section 21 (developments of national significance: local impact reports);
- section 22 (timetable for determining applications); and
- section 49 (costs on applications, appeals and references).

Article 3 brings the following provisions of the 2015 Act into force on 1 March 2016 so far as they relate to developments of national significance and secondary consents:

- section 24 (further provision about applications made to the Welsh Ministers);
- section 25 (power to make provision by development order in respect of applications to the Welsh Ministers);
- section 26 (developments of national significance and applications made to Welsh Ministers: exercise of functions by appointed person);
- section 27 (applications to Welsh Ministers: further amendments);
- section 33 (decision notices);
- section 34 (notification of development);
- section 50 (procedure for certain proceedings);
- Schedule 3 (developments of national significance and applications made to Welsh Ministers: exercise of functions by appointed person); and
- Schedule 4 (applications to Welsh Ministers: further amendments).

Article 4 brings section 51 of the 2015 Act (costs and procedure on appeals etc: further amendments) into force on 1 March 2016 so far as it relates to those paragraphs of Schedule 5 (costs and procedure on appeals etc: further amendments) listed in that article.

Article 5 brings the following sections of the 2015 Act into force on 16 March 2016:

- section 28 (power of local planning authority to require information with application);
- section 29 (invalid applications: notice and appeal);
- section 30 (revocation of saving of Town and Country Planning (Applications) Regulations 1988);
- section 32 (power to decline to determine retrospective application);
- section 33 (decision notices);
- section 34 (notification of development);
- section 35 (duration of planning permission: general);

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- section 36 (duration of outline planning permission);
  - section 37 (consultation etc in respect of certain applications relating to planning permission);
  - section 38 (stopping up or diversion of public paths where application for planning permission made);
  - section 43 (breach of planning control: enforcement warning notice);
  - section 44 (appeal against enforcement notice: deemed application for planning permission);
  - section 45 (restrictions on right to appeal against planning decisions); and
  - section 46 (restrictions on right to appeal against enforcement notice).
- Articles 6 to 17 contain transitional provisions.