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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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(Procedure) (Wales) Order 2016

PART 4

Consultations before the grant of permission

**Duty to consult before the grant of permission**

**22.**—(1) The Welsh Ministers must, within the representation period, consult any specialist consultee, except where a specialist consultee has advised the Welsh Ministers that it does not wish to be consulted.

(2) The exception in paragraph (1) does not apply where, in the opinion of the Welsh Ministers, development falls within paragraph (t) of the Table in Schedule 5.

(3) The Welsh Ministers may in any case or class of case also consult any authority, body or person in addition to those specified in Schedule 5.

(4) Where, by or under this article, the Welsh Ministers are required to consult any specialist consultee before granting planning permission—

- (a) they must give notice of the application to the specialist consultee; and
- (b) they must not determine the application until at least 21 days after the date on which the notice is given under sub-paragraph (a).

(5) The Welsh Ministers must in determining the application take into account any representations received from a specialist consultee.