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Planning (Simplified Planning Zones) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990

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The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 2(2)(**a**) and 5(3),(5) and (6), 6(4) and (5) as applied by Article 13(A)(6), 13(A)(7) and 106(1) of the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1972(**b**) and now vested in it(**c**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, makes the following regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Planning (Simplified Planning Zones) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1991.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these regulations—

"document" includes a map, diagram, illustration and other descriptive matter in any form and also includes, where appropriate, a copy of a document;

"local advertisement" means an advertisement on at least one occasion in each of 2 successive weeks in at least one newspaper circulating in the area likely to be affected by the proposed simplified planning zone scheme or, as the case may be, by the proposed alteration to an existing scheme.

(2) References in these regulations to Articles 5 and 6 are references to Articles 5 and 6 of the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 as applied by Article 13A(6) of that Order.

Prescribed period for making representations

3. The period for making representations about proposals to make or alter a simplified planning zone scheme is a period of 6 weeks beginning with such date as the Department shall specify when giving publicity to its proposals in accordance with Article 5(3) or, where the Department is proceeding under Article 6 as respects a proposed alteration a period of 6 weeks beginning with the date on which the alteration is first made available for inspection in accordance with Article 6(3).

(**a**) See definition of "prescribed"
(**b**) S.I. 1972/1634 (N.I. 17) as amended by S.I. 1990/1550 (N.I. 14)
(**c**) S.R. and O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art 7(1); S.I. 1976/424 (N.I. 6) Art 3(1)

Objections to a proposed scheme etc

4. Objections to a proposed simplified planning zone scheme or to proposals to alter an existing scheme shall be made in writing within a period of 6 weeks beginning with the date on which the proposed scheme or alteration is first made available for inspection in accordance with Article 5(4) or 6(3) as the case may be.

Title

5. A simplified planning zone scheme shall be given a title which shall give an indication of the area to which the scheme relates and each document contained in a simplified planning zone scheme shall bear the title of the scheme.

Reconciliation of contradictions in simplified planning zone schemes

6. In the case of any contradiction between the written statement and any other document forming part of a simplified planning zone scheme, the provisions of the written statement shall prevail.

Notice that documents containing proposals to make or alter a scheme are open for inspection

7. When the Department makes copies of a proposed simplified planning zone scheme or a proposed alteration to an existing scheme available for inspection in accordance with Article 5(4) or 6(3) it shall publish a notice in the Belfast Gazette and by local advertisement stating—

(*a*) the area affected by the proposed scheme or, as the case may be, by the proposed alteration;

(*b*) the general nature of the proposed scheme or alteration;

(*c*) the places and times at which copies of the proposed scheme or alteration may be inspected by the public;

(*d*) that any objections to the proposed scheme or alteration, and in a case where the Department is acting pursuant to Article 6 any representations about the alteration should be made in writing;

(*e*) the time within which such objections and representations must be made and the address to which they should be sent;

(*f*) that any person making an objection may ask to be notified of the Department's decision in writing at such address as he specifies.

Public local inquiries

8.—(1) Where the Department intends to hold a public local inquiry to consider objections to proposals to make or alter a simplified planning zone scheme, it shall, at least 4 weeks before the inquiry is held—

(*a*) give notice by local advertisement of the time and place at which the inquiry is to be held and of the purpose of the inquiry; and

(*b*) serve a notice in the same terms as the notice referred to in sub-paragraph (*a*) on every person who has duly made objection (other than an objector who had indicated in writing that he does not wish to appear or be represented at the inquiry) and on such other person as it thinks fit.