



Infrastructure Act 2015

2015 CHAPTER 7

PART 5

PLANNING, LAND AND BUILDINGS

Nationally significant infrastructure projects

27 Two-person Panels

- (1) In section 65 of the Planning Act 2008 (appointment of Panel to examine application for order granting development consent) in subsection (1)(a) (Panel to consist of three, four or five persons) before “three” insert “two,”.
- (2) In section 68(3) of that Act (duty of Secretary of State to appoint additional members if Panel comes to have two members or a single member)—
 - (a) omit “two members or”, and
 - (b) for “three” substitute “two”.
- (3) In section 73(1)(b) of that Act (Panel’s continuing identity not affected by its coming to have two members or a single member) omit “two members or”.
- (4) In section 75 of that Act (decision-making by Panel)—
 - (a) before subsection (1) insert—

“(A1) If the members of a Panel with two members disagree as to a proposed decision by the Panel, the view of the lead member is to prevail.”, and
 - (b) in subsection (1) (decision by Panel requires the agreement of a majority) for “the Panel” substitute “a Panel with three or more members”.