



Planning Act 2008

2008 CHAPTER 29

PART 6

DECIDING APPLICATIONS FOR ORDERS GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

CHAPTER 3

THE [F¹SINGLE-APPOINTED-PERSON] PROCEDURE

The single [F¹appointed person]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 78 cross-heading substituted (1.4.2012) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\), s. 240\(2\), Sch. 13 para. 30\(5\)](#); S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)

78 Single [F²appointed person] to handle application

- (1) This Chapter applies where—
- the [F³Secretary of State] accepts an application for an order granting development consent, and
 - under section 61(2), it is decided that the application is to be handled by a single [F⁴appointed person] under this Chapter.
- (2) In this Chapter “the single [F⁵appointed person]” means the person who is appointed to handle the application under this Chapter.

Textual Amendments

- F2** Words in s. 78 heading substituted (1.4.2012) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\), s. 240\(2\), Sch. 13 para. 30\(5\)](#); S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)

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- F3** Words in s. 78(1)(a) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 30(2)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)
- F4** Words in s. 78(1)(b) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 30(3)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)
- F5** Words in s. 78(2) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 30(4)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 78 in force at 1.3.2010 by S.I. 2010/101, **art. 3(d)** (with art. 6)

[^{F6}79 Appointment of single appointed person

The Secretary of State must appoint a person to handle the application.]

Textual Amendments

- F6** S. 79 substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 31**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)

80 Ceasing to be the single [^{F7} appointed person]

- ^{F8}(1)
- (2) A person may resign from being the single [^{F9} appointed person] by giving notice in writing to the [^{F10} Secretary of State].
- (3) The [^{F11} Secretary of State] may remove a person (“the appointee”) from being the single [^{F12} appointed person] [^{F13} if the Secretary of State] is satisfied that the appointee is unable, unwilling or unfit to perform the duties of the single [^{F12} appointed person].

Textual Amendments

- F7** Words in s. 80 heading substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 32(5)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)
- F8** S. 80(1) repealed (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), Sch. 13 para. 32(2), **Sch. 25 Pt. 20**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7
- F9** Words in s. 80(2) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 32(3)(a)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)
- F10** Words in s. 80(2) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 32(3)(b)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)
- F11** Words in s. 80(3) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 32(4)(a)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)
- F12** Words in s. 80(3) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 32(4)(b)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)
- F13** Words in s. 80(3) substituted (1.4.2012) by Localism Act 2011 (c. 20), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 32(4)(c)**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)

Commencement Information

- I2** S. 80 in force at 1.3.2010 by S.I. 2010/101, **art. 3(d)** (with art. 6)

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F14 81 Single Commissioner continuing though ceasing to be Commissioner

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Textual Amendments

F14 S. 81 repealed (1.4.2012) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 240(2), Sch. 13 para. 33, **Sch. 25 Pt. 20**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7

82 Appointment of replacement single [F15appointed person]

- (1) Where a person ceases to be the single [F15appointed person], a new appointment of a person to handle the application must be made under section 79.
- (2) Where that happens, the new single [F15appointed person] may, so far as may be appropriate, decide to treat things done by or in relation to any previous single [F15appointed person] as done by or in relation to the new single [F15appointed person].
- (3) Where the single [F15appointed person] makes a decision under subsection (2), the single [F15appointed person] is under a duty to acquire the necessary knowledge of the previous proceedings on the application.

Textual Amendments

F15 Words in s. 82 substituted (1.4.2012) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\)](#), s. 240(2), **Sch. 13 para. 34**; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7(a)

Commencement Information

I3 S. 82 in force at 1.3.2010 by [S.I. 2010/101](#), **art. 3(d)** (with art. 6)

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- Pt. 10A inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 1](#)
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- s. 103(1A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 2](#)
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- s. 120(2)(c) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 8](#)
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- s. 232(5)(f) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 9\(2\)](#)
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- Sch. 2A inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 5](#)