



# Planning Act 2008

## 2008 CHAPTER 29

### PART 8

#### ENFORCEMENT

##### *Information notices*

#### **167 Power to require information**

- (1) This section applies in relation to any land if it appears to the relevant local planning authority that an offence under section 160 or 161 may have been committed on or in respect of the land.
- (2) The relevant local planning authority may serve an information notice.
- (3) The information notice may be served on any person who—
  - (a) is the owner or occupier of the land or has any other interest in it, or
  - (b) is carrying out operations on the land or is using it for any purpose.
- (4) The information notice may require the person on whom it is served to give such of the following information as may be specified in the notice—
  - (a) information about any operations being carried out in, on, over or under the land, any use of the land and any other activities being carried out in, on, over or under the land, and
  - (b) information about the provisions of any order granting development consent for development of the land.
- (5) An information notice must inform the person on whom it is served of the likely consequences of a failure to respond to the notice.
- (6) A requirement of an information notice is complied with by giving the required information to the relevant local planning authority in writing.

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**Commencement Information**

**11** S. 167 in force at 1.3.2010 by [S.I. 2010/101](#), [art. 3\(j\)](#) (with [art. 6](#))

**168 Offences relating to information notices**

- (1) A person commits an offence if without reasonable excuse the person fails to comply with any requirement of an information notice served under section 167 before the end of the period mentioned in subsection (2).
- (2) The period referred to in subsection (1) is the period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the information notice is served.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- (4) A person commits an offence if the person—
  - (a) makes any statement purporting to comply with a requirement of an information notice which he knows to be false or misleading in a material respect, or
  - (b) recklessly makes such a statement which is false or misleading in a material respect.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (4) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

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**Commencement Information**

**12** S. 168 in force at 1.3.2010 by [S.I. 2010/101](#), [art. 3\(j\)](#) (with [art. 6](#))

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Pt. 10A inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 1](#)
- s. 37(3A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 7](#)
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