

## Parliamentary Buildings (Restoration and Renewal) Act 2019

## **2019 CHAPTER 27**

Parliamentary approval

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(1) In this section—

"Delivery Authority proposals" means proposals formulated by the Delivery Authority by virtue of section 3(4)(a);

"Parliamentary approval" means approval by a resolution of each House of Parliament (and "approval resolution" and "approved by Parliament" are to be construed accordingly);

"phase two works" means the Parliamentary building works that are proposed to be carried out during the period that—

- (a) begins when Parliamentary approval is obtained for the purposes of subsection (2)(a) and (b), and
- (b) ends with completion of the Parliamentary building works.
- (2) No Palace restoration works, other than preparatory works, may be carried out before the Sponsor Body has obtained Parliamentary approval for—
  - (a) Delivery Authority proposals in respect of those works, and
  - (b) funding, up to an amount specified in the approval resolution, in respect of phase two works.
- (3) In subsection (2) "preparatory works" means works in preparation for the restoration of the Palace of Westminster, including—
  - (a) initial design works, and
  - (b) other works that do not affect the continued functioning of the Palace of Westminster for the purposes of either House of Parliament.
- (4) After obtaining Parliamentary approval for the purposes of subsection (2)(a) and (b), the Sponsor Body must obtain further Parliamentary approval—

- (a) before proceeding with Delivery Authority proposals that the Sponsor Body considers would significantly affect the design or timing of Palace restoration works, or
- (b) if the Sponsor Body considers that the amount of funding that is for the time being approved by Parliament in respect of phase two works is insufficient for the purposes of carrying out those works.
- (5) When seeking Parliamentary approval for the purposes of subsection (2)(a) or (4)(a), the Sponsor Body must lay before Parliament the Delivery Authority proposals in question.
- (6) When seeking Parliamentary approval for the purposes of subsection (2)(b) or (4)(b), the Sponsor Body must lay before Parliament its assessment of the amount of funding (or further funding) required in respect of phase two works.
- (7) The reference in subsection (4) to further Parliamentary approval is—
  - (a) in a subsection (4)(a) case, a reference to Parliamentary approval for the Delivery Authority proposals, and
  - (b) in a subsection (4)(b) case, a reference to Parliamentary approval for further funding, up to the amount specified in the approval resolution, in respect of phase two works.
- (8) For the purposes of any reference in this section to the time when Parliamentary approval is obtained for the purposes of subsection (2)(a) and (b), where one House passes an approval resolution on a different day from the other House, Parliamentary approval is to be taken to have been obtained on the second of those days.

## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Parliamentary Buildings (Restoration and Renewal) Act 2019, Cross Heading: Parliamentary approval.