



# Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023

## 2023 CHAPTER 55

### PART 6 U.K.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL OUTCOMES REPORTS

##### *Defining the consents and plans to which this Part applies*

#### 154 Power to define “relevant consent” and “relevant plan” etc U.K.

- (1) EOR regulations may provide that a consent of a description specified in the regulations (a “category 1 consent”) is to be a “relevant consent” for the purposes of this Part in all cases.
- (2) EOR regulations may provide that a consent of a description specified in the regulations (a “category 2 consent”) is to be a “relevant consent” for the purposes of this Part only if certain criteria specified in EOR regulations are met.
- (3) EOR regulations may make provision about, or in connection with, how, when and by whom it is to be determined whether criteria are met, such that a category 2 consent is a relevant consent.
- (4) EOR regulations may impose a requirement for a consent in relation to a project, which is to be a category 1 consent or a category 2 consent.
- (5) EOR regulations may make provision about, or in connection with, how a consent which is required under [subsection \(4\)](#) is to be given, including provision for it to be given (or refused) by an environmental outcomes report.
- (6) “Relevant plan” means a plan or programme which—
  - (a) relates, or may relate, to a project or to environmental protection in the United Kingdom or a relevant offshore area, and
  - (b) is specified or described in EOR regulations for the purposes of this subsection.

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- (7) References in this Part to a proposed relevant consent or proposed relevant plan include references to a proposed variation or modification of, or revision to, a relevant consent or relevant plan (however described).
- (8) “Consent” means any consent, approval, permission, authorisation, confirmation or decision (however described, given or made) that is required, or otherwise provided for, by or under any enactment in relation to a project.
- (9) “Project” means a project in the United Kingdom or a relevant offshore area involving—
- (a) construction, engineering, demolition, dismantling or decommissioning,
  - (b) the installation, depositing or removal of any thing,
  - (c) the exploitation of natural resources by any means,
  - (d) a change in the use of land, a building or other structure, or
  - (e) any other activity capable of affecting the natural environment, cultural heritage or landscape.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 154 in force at 26.12.2023, see s. 255(5)

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