



2016 CHAPTER 22

PART 5

Supplementary

*Appeals*

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- 67.—**(1) This section applies to the following decisions of a council—
- (a) to issue a household notice;
  - (b) to refuse to cancel a continuation notice;
  - (c) to grant an HMO licence (including any decision as to its terms or any conditions included in it);
  - (d) to refuse an application for an HMO licence, unless the refusal is solely because the council is not satisfied as mentioned in section 8(2)(a) (planning control);
  - (e) to issue a temporary exemption notice (including any decision as to the inclusion of safety and security requirements under section 17);
  - (f) to refuse an application for a temporary exemption notice;
  - (g) to revoke a temporary exemption notice, or to refuse to grant an extension of one;
  - (h) to renew an HMO licence (including any decision as to its terms or any conditions included in it as from its renewal);
  - (i) to refuse an application to renew an HMO licence;
  - (j) to vary an HMO licence, or to refuse an application to vary one;

- (k) to revoke an HMO licence;
  - (l) to refuse to extend the period for which a licence has effect under section 29 (death of sole licence holder);
  - (m) to issue a rectification notice (including any decision as to the terms of it), or to refuse to revoke such a notice;
  - (n) to issue a Part 4 notice (including any decision as to the terms of it);
  - (o) to vary or revoke a Part 4 notice, or to refuse an application to vary or revoke one;
  - (p) to demand recovery of expenses under paragraph 9 of Schedule 3.
- (2) An appeal may be made to the county court against any decision to which this section applies.
- (3) An appeal may be made only by a person on whom notice is required to be served under the provision of this Act in question.
- (4) An appeal must be made before—
- (a) the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the date on which notice was served on the person, or
  - (b) if later, the end of the period of 7 days beginning with date on which reasons for the decision were served under section 68.
- (5) But the court may allow an appeal to be made after that date, if it considers that there are special circumstances which make it just to do so.
- (6) Where—
- (a) a person makes an application, in accordance with this Act, for a decision to which this section applies (except an application for an HMO licence or for the renewal of one), and
  - (b) the council does not notify the applicant of its decision within the period of 35 days beginning with the date on which the application was made (or such further period as the applicant may in writing allow),
- the applicant may make an appeal under this section as if the council had refused the application.
- (7) In this section, references to the service of notice are—
- (a) in the case of a decision to issue a notice, to the service of that notice;
  - (b) otherwise, to service of notice of the decision.