
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2006 No. 233

**PLANNING APPEALS
COMMISSION PROCEDURES**

**Planning Appeals Commission (Decisions on Appeals and
Making of Reports) (No. 2) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2006**

Made - - - - *24th May 2006*
Coming into operation *14th June 2006*

The Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister makes the following Rules in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 111(5), (5A) and (5B) of the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(1) and now vested in it(2).

In accordance with Article 111(5) of that Order it has consulted with the appeals commission.

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These rules may be cited as the Planning Appeals Commission (Decisions on Appeals and Making of Reports) (No. 2) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2006 and shall come into operation on 14th June 2006.

(2) In these rules—

“appeals commission” means the Planning Appeals Commission;

“commissioner” means a member of the appeals commission;

“the Order” means the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1991.

Commencement Information

II Rule 1 in operation at 14.6.2006, see [rule 1\(1\)](#)

Decisions of the appeals commission

2.—(1) A decision by the appeals commission on an appeal shall be taken by—

(a) a panel of not fewer than four commissioners; or

(1) [S.I.1991/1220\(N.I.11\)](#) as amended by [S.I.2003/430 \(N.I.8\)](#), Article 32(2) and [S.I.2006/1252 \(N.I.7\)](#), Article 15
(2) [S.R.2001 No.229](#), Article 4(3)(b)

- (b) a single commissioner;
appointed by the chief commissioner in that behalf.
- (2) The chief commissioner or such panel member as he may nominate shall act as chairman of the panel.
- (3) The chairman of the panel, in addition to his vote as a member of the panel, shall have a casting vote.
- (4) At any time before the issue of a decision on an appeal by a single commissioner, the chief commissioner may recover the appeal for decision by a panel of not fewer than four commissioners.
- [^{F1}(5) In this rule, “a decision by the appeals commission on an appeal” includes a decision to make, or to decline to make, a costs order in exercise of the appeals commission’s powers under sections 205 and 206 of the 2011 Act.]

Textual Amendments
F1 Rule 2(5) inserted (1.4.2015) by [The Planning Appeals Commission \(Decisions on Appeals and Making of Reports\) \(Amendment\) Rules \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(S.R. 2015/137\)](#), rules 1, **2(2)**

Commencement Information
I2 Rule 2 in operation at 14.6.2006, see [rule 1\(1\)](#)

Reports made by the appeals commission

- 3.—(1) A report made by the appeals commission on an [^{F2}inquiry, examination or hearing] shall be made by
- (a) a single commissioner; or
 - (b) a panel of commissioners;
- appointed by the chief commissioner in that behalf.
- (2) The chief commissioner or such panel member as he may nominate shall act as chairman of the panel.
- (3) The chairman of the panel, in addition to his vote as a member of the panel, shall have a casting vote.

Textual Amendments
F2 Words in [rule 3](#) substituted (1.4.2015) by [The Planning Appeals Commission \(Decisions on Appeals and Making of Reports\) \(Amendment\) Rules \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(S.R. 2015/137\)](#), rules 1, **2(3)**

Commencement Information
I3 Rule 3 in operation at 14.6.2006, see [rule 1\(1\)](#)

Revocation

4. The Decision on Appeals and Making of Reports Rules (Northern Ireland) 2003(3) and the Planning Appeals Commission (Decisions on Appeals and Making of Reports) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2006(4) are revoked.

(3) [S.R.2003 No.254](#)
(4) [S.R.2006 No.225](#)

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Commencement Information

I4 Rule 4 in operation at 14.6.2006, see [rule 1\(1\)](#)

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister on 24th May 2006.

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Deirdre Kenny
A senior officer of the Office of the First
Minister and deputy First Minister

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Planning Appeals Commission (Decisions on Appeals and Making of Reports) (No. 2) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2006. (See end of Document for details)*

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Rules provide that decisions on appeal of the Planning Appeals Commission shall be taken by a panel of not less than 4 commissioners or a single commissioner appointed by the chief commissioner and make consequential provision (Rule 2).

The Rules further provide that reports of the Planning Appeals Commission shall be made by a single commissioner or a panel of commissioners appointed by the chief commissioner and make consequential provision (Rule 3).

These Rules revoke the Decisions on Appeals and Making of Reports Rules (Northern Ireland) 2003 and the Planning Appeals Commission (Decision on Appeals and Making of Reports) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2006 (Rule 4).

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Planning Appeals Commission (Decisions on Appeals and Making of Reports) (No. 2) Rules (Northern Ireland) 2006.