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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2015 No. 72**

**The Planning (General Development  
Procedure) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015**

**Use of electronic communications**

**29.**—(1) Paragraphs (2) to (4) apply where a person uses electronic communications for any of the following purposes—

- (a) making an application for planning permission under Article 3;
- (b) making an application for approval of reserved matters under Article 5;
- (c) making an application for a certificate of lawfulness of existing use or development or a certificate of lawfulness of proposed use or development under Article 11;
- (d) making a claim for compensation or serving a purchase notice under Article 30.

(2) In a case to which this paragraph applies, and except where a contrary intention appears, the person making the application or claim or serving notice shall be taken to have agreed—

- (a) to the use of electronic communications for all purposes relating to the application, claim or notice (as the case may be) which are capable of being effected using such communications;
- (b) that the address for the purpose of such communications is the address incorporated into, or otherwise logically associated with, the application, claim or notice; and
- (c) that the person's deemed agreement under this paragraph shall subsist until that person gives notice in writing that he or she wishes to revoke the agreement and such withdrawal or revocation shall be final and shall take effect on a date specified by him or her in the notice but not less than seven days after the date on which the notice is given.

(3) In Article 3—

- (a) the requirement of paragraph (3)(a) that an application for planning permission shall be accompanied by a plan which identifies the land to which it relates shall be satisfied where the applicant identifies the land on an electronic map provided to the council or, as the case may be, the Department and for this purpose a map is taken to be provided where the council or, as the case may be, the Department has published it on its website; and
- (b) the requirement of paragraph (3)(g) to submit 3 additional copies of the application, plans and drawings shall not apply.

(4) In Article 5(c) the requirement to submit 3 additional copies of the form, plans and drawings shall not apply.