



Housing and Planning Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 63

PART VI

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

England and Wales

44 Overhead electricity lines

(1) For section 21 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 (overhead wires) substitute—

“21 Overhead wires.

(1) The Secretary of State shall before giving consent or authorisation for the placing of an electric line above ground give the local planning authority an opportunity of being heard.

(2) In subsection (1) " local planning authority " has the same meaning as in the Town and Country Planning Act 1971, except that in relation to a non-metropolitan county it includes the county planning authority only—

- (a) where the line is to be placed in a National Park; or
- (b) where the line is a high voltage line, that is, a line for conveying or transmitting electricity at or above a voltage of 132,000 volts.”.

(2) In section 34 of the Electricity Act 1975 (public inquiries), after subsection (1) (inquiry to be held if local planning authority object) insert—

“(1A) In subsection (1) "local planning authority"—

- (a) in relation to an application for consent or authorisation under section 10(b) of the Schedule to the Act of 1899, means a local planning authority required to be given an opportunity of being heard under section 21 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919;

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (b) in relation to an application for consent under section 2 of the Electric Lighting Act 1909, means a local planning authority required to be given an opportunity of stating an objection under that section.”.
- (3) Section 149(3)(a) of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (power of Secretary of State to confer functions of local planning authority on urban development corporation) has effect in relation to—
- section 21 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919, and
 - section 34 of the Electricity Act 1957, so far as applying to an application for consent or authorisation under section 10(b) of the Schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899, as it has effect in relation to the provisions listed in Part I of Schedule 29 to the 1980 Act.