



Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

1990 CHAPTER 9

PART I

LISTED BUILDINGS

CHAPTER IV

ENFORCEMENT

[^{F1}44AB Temporary stop notices in England: offence

- (1) A person is guilty of an offence if the person contravenes, or causes or permits a contravention of, a temporary stop notice—
 - (a) which has been served on the person under section 44AA(4), or
 - (b) a copy of which has been displayed in accordance with section 44AA(5).
- (2) An offence under this section may be charged by reference to a day or to some longer period; and accordingly, a person may, in relation to the same temporary stop notice, be convicted of more than one offence under this section by reference to different periods.
- (3) In proceedings against a person for an offence under this section, it is a defence for the person to show that the person did not know, and could not reasonably have been expected to know, of the existence of the temporary stop notice.
- (4) In proceedings against a person for an offence under this section, it is also a defence for the person to show—
 - (a) that works to the building were urgently necessary in the interests of safety or health or for the preservation of the building,
 - (b) that it was not practicable to secure safety or health or, as the case may be, the preservation of the building by works of repair or works for affording temporary support or shelter,

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- (c) that the works carried out were limited to the minimum measures immediately necessary, and
 - (d) that notice in writing justifying in detail the carrying out of the works was given to the local planning authority as soon as reasonably practicable.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under this section is liable on summary conviction, or on conviction on indictment, to a fine.
- (6) In determining the amount of a fine to be imposed on a person convicted under this section, the court must in particular have regard to any financial benefit which has accrued or appears likely to accrue to the person in consequence of the offence.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 44AA-44AC inserted (25.4.2024) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 103(2), 255(3)(b)** (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/452, reg. 3(a)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 3(1A)(1B) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 105(2)
- s. 12(4A) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 16
- s. 16(2A) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 102(3)
- s. 22(2A) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 18(2)
- s. 40(2A) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 19
- s. 49(1) s. 49 renumbered as s. 49(1) by 2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 127(b)
- s. 49(2) inserted by 2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 127(c)
- s. 54(8) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 104(2)(c)
- s. 55(2A) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 104(3)(a)
- s. 55(5H)(5I) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 104(3)(f)
- s. 55(5BA) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 104(3)(d)
- s. 56A and cross-heading inserted by 2016 anaw 4 s. 31(1)
- s. 66(1A) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 102(4)(a)
- s. 66(2A) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 102(4)(b)
- s. 66(5) inserted by 2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 136
- s. 82A(2)(ha) inserted by 2016 anaw 4 s. 31(2)
- s. 89(1ZA) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 22
- s. 93(5A) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 23(3)
- s. 93(5A) words inserted by 2013 c. 24 Sch. 17 para. 18(3)
- Sch. 3 para. 2(4A) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 24(2)
- Sch. 3 para. 2(9) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 24(3)
- Sch. 3 para. 3(4A)(4B) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 24(4)
- Sch. 3 para. 6(1A) inserted by 2008 c. 29 Sch. 10 para. 24(6)