

# Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997

# **1997 CHAPTER 8**

### PART VI

## **ENFORCEMENT**

Certificate of lawful use or development

# 154 Appeals against refusal or failure to give decision on application

- (1) Where an application is made to a planning authority for a certificate under section 150 or 151 and—
  - (a) the application is refused or is refused in part, or
  - (b) the planning authority do not give notice to the applicant of their decision on the application within such period as may be prescribed by regulations or a development order or within such extended period as may at any time be agreed in writing by the applicant and the authority,

the applicant may appeal to the Secretary of State.

- (2) An appeal under subsection (1) shall be by notice given within such period (not being less than 28 days) as may be prescribed by regulations or a development order.
- (3) On any such appeal, if and so far as the Secretary of State is satisfied—
  - (a) in the case of an appeal under subsection (1)(a), that the authority's refusal is not well-founded, or
  - (b) in the case of an appeal under subsection (1)(b), that, if the planning authority had refused the application, their refusal would not have been well-founded,

he shall grant the appellant a certificate under section 150 or 151 accordingly or, in the case of a refusal in part, modify the certificate granted by the authority on the application.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) If and so far as the Secretary of State is satisfied that the authority's refusal is or, as the case may be, would have been well-founded, he shall dismiss the appeal.
- (5) Schedule 4 applies to appeals under this section.