



Planning Act 2008

2008 CHAPTER 29

PART 6

DECIDING APPLICATIONS FOR ORDERS GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

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DECISIONS ON APPLICATIONS

106 Matters that may be disregarded when deciding application

- (1) In deciding an application for an order granting development consent, the [^{F1}Secretary of State] may disregard representations if the [^{F1}Secretary of State] considers that the representations—
- (a) are vexatious or frivolous,
 - (b) relate to the merits of policy set out in a national policy statement, or
 - (c) relate to compensation for compulsory acquisition of land or of an interest in or right over land.
- (2) In this section “representation” includes evidence.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 106(1) substituted (1.4.2012) by [Localism Act 2011 \(c. 20\), s. 240\(2\), Sch. 13 para. 51; S.I. 2012/628, art. 7\(a\)](#)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 106 in force at 1.3.2010 by [S.I. 2010/101, art. 3\(d\)](#) (with art. 6)

Changes to legislation:

Planning Act 2008, Section 106 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 20 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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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):

- Pt. 10A inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 1](#)
- s. 37(3A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 7](#)
- s. 37(3A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 7](#)
- s. 103(1A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 2](#)
- s. 103(1A) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 2](#)
- s. 104(3)-(3B) substituted for s. 104(3) by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 3\(2\)](#)
- s. 104(3)-(3B) substituted for s. 104(3) by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 3\(2\)](#)
- s. 105(3)(4) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 4\(1\)](#)
- s. 105(3)(4) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 4\(1\)](#)
- s. 120(2)(c) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 8](#)
- s. 120(2)(c) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 8](#)
- s. 223(1)(za) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 139\(6\)](#)
- s. 232(5)(f) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 232(5)(f) inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 2A inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 5](#)
- Sch. 2A inserted by [2021 c. 30 Sch. 15 para. 5](#)