



# Planning Act 2008

## 2008 CHAPTER 29

### PART 6

#### DECIDING APPLICATIONS FOR ORDERS GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

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#### SUSPENSION OF DECISION-MAKING PROCESS

#### **108 Suspension during review of national policy statement**

- (1) This section applies where—
  - (a) an application is made for an order granting development consent for development of a description in relation to which a national policy statement has effect, and
  - (b) the Secretary of State thinks that, as a result of a change in circumstances since the national policy statement was first published or (if later) the statement or any part of it was last reviewed, all or part of the statement should be reviewed before the application is decided.
- (2) The Secretary of State may direct that, until the review has been completed and the Secretary of State has complied with section 6(5) in relation to the review, the following are suspended—
  - (a) examination of the application by a Panel under Chapter 2 or a single Commissioner under Chapter 3 (if not already completed), and
  - (b) decision of the application by that Panel or (as the case may be) the Council.