## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Town and Country Planning (Assessment of Environ mental Effects) Regulations 1988.

The main changes are—

- (a) the deletion of regulation 12 of the 1988 Regulations, which set out publicity requirements where a planning application was accompanied by an environ mental statement: the publicity requirements in such circumstances are now contained in the Town and Country Planning General Development Order 1988 by virtue of an amendment made to that Order by the Town and Country Planning General Development (Amendment) (No. 4) Order 1992;
- (b) the insertion of a new regulation, regulation 25A, which makes provision for the application of the 1988 Regulations to planning applications where the local planning authority is also the applicant, and the deletion of regulation 17, which related to the previous system (now repealed and replaced by the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992) under which planning authorities were generally not required to submit planning applications.