

SCHEDULE 2

Amendment of the Town and Country Planning (Inquiries Procedure) (England) Rules 2000

4. In rule 10 (date and notification of inquiry)—

(a) after paragraph (3), insert—

“(3A) A written notice shall be taken to have been given by the Secretary of State for the purposes of paragraph (3) where he and any person entitled to appear at the inquiry have agreed that notice of the matters mentioned in that paragraph may instead be accessed by that person via a website, and—

(a) the notice is a notice to which that agreement applies;

(b) the Secretary of State has published that notice on the website;

(c) not less than 4 weeks before the date fixed by the Secretary of State for the holding of the inquiry, the person is notified of—

(i) the publication of the notice on a website,

(ii) the address of the website, and

(iii) the place on the website where the notice may be accessed, and how it may be accessed.”;

(b) in paragraph (4), for the words “paragraph (3)” substitute “paragraphs (3) and (3A)”.