
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015([S.I.2015/596](#)) (“the GPDO”).

Article 2 amends Class A and Class AA of Part 20 of Schedule 2 to the GPDO. It introduces a requirement for a developer seeking prior approval under those classes in relation to an existing building, which is 18 metres or more in height, to provide a report from a chartered engineer or other competent professional confirming that the external wall construction of the existing building complies with paragraph B4(1) of Schedule 1 to the Building Regulations 2010 ([S.I. 2010/2214](#)) to the local planning authority.

Article 3 makes transitional and saving provision applicable where a prior approval application was made or prior approval event occurred before the coming into force of the amendments made by article 2.

A full impact assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.