STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 820

The Northumberland Line Order 2022

PART 5

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

Consents, agreement, certifications and approvals

- **31.**—(1) Where any application is made to a relevant authority under this Order, the consent, agreement, certification or approval concerned must, if given, be given in writing and is not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed.
- (2) If a relevant authority which has received an application fails to notify the Council of its decision before the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the date on which the application was received, the relevant authority is deemed to have given its consent, agreement, certification or approval, as the case may be.
- (3) Any application to which this article applies must include a written statement that the provisions of paragraph (2) apply to that application.
- (4) Where any application is made to a relevant authority and the application includes submissions relating to the discharge of an obligation under Schedule 10 (protective provisions) at the same time, paragraph (2) does not apply to that application.
 - (5) In this article—

"application" means an application or request for any consent, agreement, certification or approval required or contemplated by articles 3 (power to construct and maintain works), 4 (power to survey and investigate land), 5 (discharge of water), 9 (temporary stopping up and diversion of streets), 10 (creation and maintenance of new highways), 11 (access to works) and 12 (power to execute street works); and

"relevant authority" means a highway authority, a street authority or an owner of a public sewer or drain as defined in article 5(8)(a) (discharge of water).