WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Developments of National Significance (Fees) (Wales) Regulations 2016

Fee for Welsh Ministers' pre-application services

4.—(1) Where the Welsh Ministers provide pre-application services in accordance with the 2016 Regulations ("pre-application services") ("gwasanaethau cyn ymgeisio"), a fee must be paid to the Welsh Ministers.

(2) The fee payable is calculated by multiplying the total time (in hours and part of an hour) spent by a planning officer providing pre-application services by the hourly rate for a planning officer.

(3) The hourly rate for a planning officer is the amount set out in the relevant row of column 3.

(4) The Welsh Ministers may invoice the applicant at reasonable intervals in respect of the number of hours spent in providing pre-application services and the amount of the fee for those services.

(5) Any fee due in respect of pre-application services must be received by the Welsh Ministers within the period of 21 days beginning with the date the relevant invoice from the Welsh Ministers is sent.

(6) If the applicant fails to pay any fee for pre-application services within the period specified in paragraph (5), the Welsh Ministers need take no further steps in relation to the provision of pre-application services until payment has been received.

(7) In this regulation "planning officer" ("*swyddog cynllunio*") means an officer working for the joint executive agency of the Department for Communities and Local Government and the Welsh Government known as the Planning Inspectorate.