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WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2017 No. 544**

**The Town and Country Planning (Referred Applications and Appeals Procedure) (Wales) Regulations 2017**

**PART 6**

**Inquiries**

**Pre-inquiry meetings**

**40.**—(1) The appointed person may hold a pre-inquiry meeting prior to an inquiry to consider what may be done with a view to securing that the inquiry is conducted efficiently and expeditiously.

(2) An appointed person must give not less than 2 weeks' written notice of a pre-inquiry meeting which the appointed person proposes to hold under paragraph (1) to—

- (a) the appellant;
- (b) the local planning authority;
- (c) any person invited to take part at the pre-inquiry meeting.

(3) Where a pre-inquiry meeting has been held under paragraph (1), the appointed person may hold a further pre-inquiry meeting and must arrange for such notice to be given of a further pre-inquiry meeting as appears necessary.

(4) The appointed person—

- (a) is to preside at any pre-inquiry meeting;
- (b) is to determine the matters to be discussed and the procedure to be followed;
- (c) may require any person present at the pre-inquiry meeting who, in the appointed person's opinion, is behaving in a disruptive manner to leave;
- (d) may refuse to permit that person to return or to attend any further pre-inquiry meeting, or
- (e) may permit that person to return or attend only on such conditions as the appointed person may specify.