

Examination into the North West Leicestershire Local Plan Partial Review

Miscellaneous Matters

Changes to the Use Classes Order

Introduction

On 21 July, the Government published the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2020. These came in to force on 1 September 2020.

Use classes A, B and D no longer exist. A new class E (commercial, business and service) has been created. This subsumes A1 (shops), A2 (financial and professional services), A3 (restaurants and cafes) and B1 (business). Other parts of Class B – (B2) Industrial processes other than those falling with use Class B1, and (B8) Storage and Distribution – remain unchanged.

Additional Question

What are the implications of the changes to the Use Classes Order set out above on the soundness of Policy S1 and paragraph 5.8, and are there any consequences for the Local Plan Partial Review?

Responses

The Council's response to the question should be submitted to the Programme Officer in writing by 5 pm on 21 September 2020. Any respondents wishing to comment should also do so in writing by the same deadline.

The matter may also be discussed at the Hearings on Thursday 17 September 2020 as part of Issue 3.

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