

Town Planning Bill

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Part IV - Planning Control

- applications for planning permission
- application requirements
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Applications for planning permission

No transfer of development potential from one zone to another zone within a site except with planning permission (clauses 31(4)-(6))



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Application for planning permission (cont'd)

Planning permission is required for:

- designated development (DD);
- developments within an
 environmentally sensitive area
 (ESA) and a special design area
 (SDA) (clauses 31(2) and (3))



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Application requirements

- Applicant has to obtain owner's consent of or to notify the owner (clause 32(1))
- An application has to be accompanied by a fee prescribed by the Secretary for Planning and Lands by regulation (clause 32(2))
- An environmental statement has to be submitted for applications requiring publication (clause 32(2))







Application requirements (cont'd)

- Applications for DD and developments within ESA shall be accompanied by a report on key environmental and planning issues
- Developments within SDA, if required by a note on the plan, shall be accompanied by:
 - an urban design plan;
 - a master layout plan; and
 - a landscape plan

(clause 33) 6





Publication of selected applications

- TPB has to publish planning applications for bad neighbour uses for public comments for 1 month
- TPB will determine the list of applications requiring publication by notice in the Gazette

(clause 34)





Interim Development Control

TPB may consider but shall not grant permission to planning applications:

- during plan publication period; and
- where the application site is subject to a third party adverse representation, until CE in C's decision on the representation is made. (clause 32(4))



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Interim Development Control (cont'd)

Notwithstanding the adverse representation, TPB may grant permission if:

- the application is made by the **representer** himself;
- the representation is **frivolous**, **vexatious** or made in the **absence of good faith**; or
- the interests of the representer, the neighbourhood and the community will not be adversely affected (clause 32(4)(b)),





Provision of public facilities

TPB may require provision of public facilities necessary to serve the proposed development (clause 37(1)(b))

- TPB may require provision of a performance bond (clause 37(1)(c))
- If offered by the applicant, TPB may impose a condition requiring the provision, construction and maintenance, without cost to the Government, of a public facility not directly related to the application (clause 37(4))





Fast processing of certain applications

TPB shall, within 45 days, consider applications for:

- minor amendments to planning permission; or
- temporary development or use

(clauses 43 and 44)



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