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GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE BILL

Planning Act 2008 pre-application procedure

John Howell

NC7

To move the following Clause:—

- ‘(1) The Planning Act 2008 is amended as follows:
- (2) After section 54 insert—

“CHAPTER 4

GENERAL

54A Pre-application procedure: waivers

- (1) An applicant may, at any time before or after making an application, submit a request in writing to the Secretary of State for a direction that any provision contained in this Part or in rules or regulations made under this Part shall not apply (or shall apply in part only) to the application.
- (2) A request made under subsection (1) shall give reasons for the request.
- (3) Where a request is made under subsection (1) and the Secretary of State is satisfied that it is impossible, impracticable or unnecessary for the applicant to comply with any provision contained in this Part or in rules or regulations made under this Part, the Secretary of State may—
 - (a) direct that the provision in question shall not apply, or shall apply in part only, to the application in question; and
 - (b) whether or not a direction has been given pursuant to paragraph (a), direct that the applicant shall comply with the provision in question, or any part of it, at such later date as may be specified in the direction.’.

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Planning Act 2008 examination fees

John Howell

NC8

To move the following Clause:—

- ‘(1) The Planning Act 2008 is amended as follows:
- (2) In section 4 (fees), after subsection (3) insert—
 - “(3A) The regulations may only require the payment of fees in relation to the examination of an application with reference to those days during the examination period when the application was actually examined by the examining authority.”’.

Report on performance of Valuation Office Agency in relation to non-domestic rating

Ian Murray

Roberta Blackman-Woods

NC9

To move the following Clause:—

- ‘(1) Prior to the compilation of a rating list, the Secretary of State must prepare and publish a report describing the performance of the Valuation Office Agency (VOA) within the reporting period in relation to non-domestic rating.
- (2) The report must set out any recommendation that the Secretary of State believes the VOA should implement to improve its performance in light of the number of outstanding appeals regarding business rates.
- (3) The Secretary of State must lay a copy of the report before Parliament.
- (4) In this section “reporting period” means the period of 12 months beginning with 1 April prior to the date on which a rating list is to be compiled.’.

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Clause 21, page 25, leave out line 33.

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Clause 21, page 25, leave out line 43.

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Clause 21, page 26, line 10, leave out from ‘project)’ to end of line 11.

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Clause 21, page 26, leave out lines 12 and 13 and insert—

- ‘(5) In this section, “business or commercial project” means a project which consists of any of the following—
 - (a) offices and research and development facilities;

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- (b) manufacturing and processing proposals;
 - (c) warehousing, storage and distribution facilities;
 - (d) conference and exhibition centres;
 - (e) leisure, tourism and sports and recreation facilities;
 - (f) extractive industries (mining and quarrying); and
 - (g) mixed-use developments, including one or more of the above uses but not retail where it is the main or predominant use or housing except where it is incidental.
- (6) The Secretary of State may by order, subject to consultation—
- (a) amend subsection (5) to add a new type of project or vary or remove an existing type of project;
 - (b) make further provision, or amend or repeal existing provision, about the types of project which are, and are not, within subsection (5).
- (7) An order under subsection (6)(b) may amend this Act.’.

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Ian Murray

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Clause 21, page 27, line 37, at end insert—

- ‘(3A) In section 105 (decisions in cases where no national policy statement has effect) after subsection (2)(c) insert—
- ‘and in the case of a business or commercial development project shall make the decision in accordance with the relevant local plan’.
