

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, ENGLAND**

**The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012**

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**Extract from page 6:**

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**Pre-submission consultation and publicity**

**14.** Before submitting a plan proposal to the local planning authority, a qualifying body must—

(a) publicise, in a manner that is likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area—

(i) details of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan;

(ii) details of where and when the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan may be inspected;

(iii) details of how to make representations; and

(iv) the date by which those representations must be received, being not less than 6 weeks from the date on which the draft proposal is first publicised;

(b) consult any consultation body referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 whose interests the qualifying body considers may be affected by the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan; and

(c) send a copy of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan to the local planning authority.

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**Paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 Consultees**

**1.** For the purposes of regulations 14 and 16, a “consultation body” means—

(a) where the local planning authority is a London borough council, the Mayor of London;

(b) a local planning authority, county council or parish council any part of whose area is in or adjoins the area of the local planning authority;

(c) the Coal Authority;

- (d) the Homes and Communities Agency;
- (e) Natural England;
- (f) the Environment Agency;
- (g) the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (known as English Heritage);
- (h) Network Rail Infrastructure Limited (company number 2904587);
- (i) the Highways Agency;
- (j) the Marine Management Organisation;
- (k) any person—
  - (i) to whom the electronic communications code applies by virtue of a direction given under section 106(3)(a) of the Communications Act 2003; and
  - (ii) who owns or controls electronic communications apparatus situated in any part of the area of the local planning authority;
- (l) where it exercises functions in any part of the neighbourhood area—
  - (i) a Primary Care Trust established under section 18 of the National Health Service Act 2006(a) or continued in existence by virtue of that section;
  - (ii) a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 6(1)(b) and (c) of the Electricity Act 1989(b);
  - (iii) a person to whom a licence has been granted under section 7(2) of the Gas Act 1986(c);
  - (iv) a sewerage undertaker; and
  - (v) a water undertaker;
- (m) voluntary bodies some or all of whose activities benefit all or any part of the neighbourhood area;
- (n) bodies which represent the interests of different racial, ethnic or national groups in the neighbourhood area;
- (o) bodies which represent the interests of different religious groups in the neighbourhood area;
- (p) bodies which represent the interests of persons carrying on business in the neighbourhood area; and
- (q) bodies which represent the interests of disabled persons in the neighbourhood area.