

Changes to permitted development rights

Summary of Changes

- Five SIs amending the General Permitted Development Order in 2020
 1. Pandemic response and greater flexibility
 2. Housing
 3. Changes of use

1. Pandemic Response and Greater Flexibility

- Restaurants, cafes and pubs can temporarily provide takeaway food
- Local authorities and health service bodies can change the use of buildings and undertake development to respond to the pandemic
- Local Authorities can hold a market
- Additional allowance for the temporary use of land

2. Housing

- Upward extensions to add new flats on detached blocks of flats and commercial premises
- Demolition of a building and construction of a new dwelling/block of flats
- Adequate natural light in all habitable rooms and space standards
- Upward extensions to add additional storeys existing to dwellings

3. Changes of Use

- Use Classes A1, A2, A3, A4, A5 and D1 and D2 are revoked
- New Use Classes:
 - Class E (Commercial, business and service)
 - Class F.1 (Learning and non-residential institutions)
 - Class F.2 (Local community)
- Consultation on Class E to residential

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