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7 March 2017 [Planning]

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This edition concentrates on planning issues which have arisen over the past few weeks.

Housing White Paper

The RTPI's initial response is at <http://www.rtpi.org.uk/briefing-room/news-releases/2017/february/housing-white-paper-rtpi-response/>

That from CPRE is at <http://www.cpre.org.uk/media-centre/sound-bites/item/4511-housing-white-paper-cpre-reaction?tmpl=component&print=1>

There's a longer list via the House of Commons Library at <http://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/ResearchBriefing/Summary/CBP-7896>

The latter has a summary as well.

The Local Plan for the Northumberland National Park

The NNPA has asked that I draw the following statement to your attention. Member Councils within the Park should have received details direct. Councils outside the Park may also wish to consider if there are effects on their communities.

Northumberland National Park Authority is calling on residents, communities and local businesses to take part in the development of its new Local Plan through a series of consultation events. The National Park Authority is reviewing its local planning policies to ensure that they are fit for the future and is seeking public views on development within the Park over the next 20 years. There are ten public consultation events taking place during March and April at venues throughout the Park. They are a combination of in-formal drop-in sessions and community workshops with Northumberland National Park Authority Planning Officers. This is an early opportunity for you to help shape the future of the National Park and let the Authority know what you think they key planning issues are for your local area. Further details are available on the Authority's website at:

<http://www.northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk/about/planning/policy-guidance/local-plan-consultation/>

Planning in Scotland

The Scottish Government is in the process of consulting on potential changes to their planning system. Local Councils near the border may wish to read the RTPI's briefing paper at

http://www.rtpi.org.uk/media/2203931/RTPI%20Briefing%20-%20Planning%20Consultation%20Paper%20-%2024%20January%202017.pdf?dm_i=1L61,4R77U,A2M4W2,HUS0M,1

Planning Minister

The Planning Minister recently gave a lecture to the CPRE setting out the Govt's planning vision. It's at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/cpre-annual-lecture>

The timing of a Neighbourhood Plan

There's an interesting legal article at the link below dealing with the question of whether a Neighbourhood Plan can precede an up-to-date Local Plan.

http://localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=30146%3Alocal-plans-neighbourhood-plans-and-timing&catid=63&Itemid=31

The NPPF goes to the Supreme Court

This link is to an article looking at a hearing in the Supreme Court in late February. It was published whilst I was away but the judgment has not yet been delivered. As and when judgment is given, I shall put details in an Enews.

http://localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=30149%3Athe-nppf-heads-to-the-supreme-court&catid=63&Itemid=31

An unsuccessful challenge to a Neighbourhood Plan

Last week, <http://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWHC/Admin/2017/420.html> judgment was given in another unsuccessful attempt to overturn a Neighbourhood Plan, before it could go to a referendum. It's a lengthy judgment.

Planning Training

I'd welcome ideas please on topics which could be included in training/refreshers on Development Control and other Planning Matters.



If you have any comments or observations, please contact

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