

## **Planning Use Classes**

The Town and County Planning (Use Classes) Order, 1987 and subsequent amendments.

### **CLASS A1 Shops**

Use for all or any of the following purposes: -

- a) for the retail sale of goods other than hot food,
- b) as a post office,
- c) for the sale of tickets or as a travel agency,
- d) for the sale of sandwiches or other cold food for consumption off the premises,
- e) for hairdressing,
- f) for the direction of funerals,
- g) for the display of foods for sale,
- h) for the hiring out of domestic or personal goods or articles,
- i) for the washing or cleaning of clothes or fabrics on the premises,
- j) for the reception of goods to be washed, cleaned or repaired, where the sale, display or service is to visiting members of the public.

### **CLASS A2 Financial and Professional Services**

Use for the provision of: -

- a) financial services, or
- b) professional services (other than health or medical services), or
- c) any other services (including use as a betting office) which it is appropriate to provide in a shopping area where the services are provided principally to visiting members of the public.

### **CLASS A3 Food and Drink**

Use for the sale of food or drink for consumption on the premises, or of hot food for consumption off the premises.

### **CLASS B1 Business**

Use for all or any of the following purposes: -

- a) as an office other than a use within Class A2 (financial and professional services),
- b) for research and development of products or processes, or
- c) for any industrial process being a use which can be carried out in any residential area without detriment to the amenity of that area by reason of noise, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, soot, ash, dust or grit.

### **CLASS B2 General Industrial**

Use for the carrying out of an industrial process other than one falling within Class B1 above.

### **CLASS B8 Storage or Distribution**

Use for storage or as a distribution centre.

### **CLASS C1 Hotels and Hostels**

Use as a hotel, boarding or guest house or as a hostel where, in each case, no significant element of care is provided.

### **CLASS C2 Residential Institutions**

Use for the provision of residential accommodation and care to people in need of care (other than a use within class C3 (dwelling houses)).

Use as a hospital or nursing home.

Use as a residential school, college or training centre.

### **CLASS C3. Dwelling Houses**

Use as a dwelling house (whether or not as a sole or main residence): -

- a) by a single person or by people living together as a family, or
- b) by not more than 6 residents living together as a single household (including a household where care is provided for residents).

### **CLASS D1. Non-residential Institutions**

Any use not including a residential use: -

- a) for the provision of any medical or health services except the use of premises attached to the residence of the consultant or practitioner,
- b) as a crèche, day nursery or day centre,
- c) for the provision of education,
- d) for the display of works of art (otherwise than for sale or hire),
- e) as a museum,
- f) as a public library or public reading room,
- g) as a public hall or exhibition hall,
- h) for, or in connection with, public worship or religious instruction.

### **CLASS D2. Assembly and Leisure**

Use as: -

- a) a cinema,
- b) a concert hall,
- c) a bingo hall or casino,
- d) a dance hall,
- e) a swimming bath, skating rink, gymnasium or area for other indoor or outdoor sports or recreations, not involving motorised vehicles or firearms.