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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, ENGLAND

The Caravan Sites Act 1968 and Social Landlords (Permissible Additional Purposes) (England) Order 2006 (Definition of Caravan) (Amendment) (England) Order 2006

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>4th September 2006</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>8th September 2006</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st October 2006</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 13(3) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968(a) and section 2(7) of the Housing Act 1996(b) and having consulted such persons or bodies as appear to her to be concerned in accordance with section 13(2) of that Act, makes the following Order:

Citation, commencement, and application

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Caravan Sites Act 1968 and Social Landlords (Permissible Additional Purposes) (England) Order 2006 (Definition of Caravan) (Amendment) (England) Order 2006 and shall come into force on 1st October 2006.

(2) The amendments made by articles 2 and 3 apply in relation to England only.

Amendment of the definition of caravan for the purposes of Part 1 of the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960(c)

2. Sub-section (2) of section 13 of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 (twin-unit caravans) shall be amended—

- (a) in paragraph (a) by the substitution for “60” and “18.288” of “65.616” and “20” respectively;
- (b) in paragraph (b) by the substitution for “20” and “6.096” of “23.309” and “6.8” respectively; and
- (c) in paragraph (c) by the substitution for “10” and “3.048” of “10.006” and “3.05” respectively.

(a) 1968 c.52. The functions of the Secretary of State so far as exercisable in relation to Wales are transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by article 2 of the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 S.I. 1999/672.

(b) 1996 c52. The Secretary of State’s functions under section 2, so far as exercisable in relation to Wales, were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/672), article 2 and Schedule 1.

(c) 1960 c.62.

Amendment of the definition of caravan in article 3 of the Social Landlords (Permissible Additional Purposes) (England) Order 2006(a)

3. Paragraph 3 of article 3 of the Social Landlords (Permissible Additional Purposes) (England) Order 2006 (meaning of caravan) shall be amended

- (a) in paragraph (a) by the substitution for “18.288 metres (60 feet)” of “20 metres”;
- (b) in paragraph (b) by the substitution for “6.096 metres (20 feet)” of “6.8 metres”; and
- (c) in paragraph (c) by the substitution for “3.048 metres (10 feet)” of “3.05 metres”.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

4th September 2006

Angela Smith
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Communities and Local Government

(a) S.I. 2006/1968.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the definition of caravan in section 13(2) of the Caravan Sites Act 1968 (“the 1968 Act”) and article 3(3) of the Social Landlords (Permissible Additional Purposes) (England) Order 2006 (“the 2006 Order”).

Section 13 (twin-unit caravans) of the 1968 Act excepts from the definition of “caravan” in Part 1 of the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960, twin-unit structures designed or adapted for human habitation whose dimensions do not exceed specified dimensions. The Secretary of State has the power to make an order specifying different dimensions to those set out in the 1968 Act.

Article 3(3) (meaning of caravan) of the 2006 Order defines a “caravan” for the purposes of article 2 of that Order which extends the permitted purposes or objects of registered social landlords to include the provision, construction, improvement or management of caravan sites for gypsies and travellers.

This Order, which applies to England only, substitutes dimensions that are larger than those set out in section 13(2) of the 1968 Act and article 3(3) of the 2006 Order.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared in connection with this Order. A copy can be obtained from www.communities.gov.uk or from the Department for Communities and Local Government, Housing Management Division, Zone 2/H10 Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E 5DU (Tel 020 7944 6226).

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