

THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF STOCKTON-ON-TEES
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT)
(ENGLAND) ORDER 2015 (AS AMENDED)

NOTICE OF MAKING AN ARTICLE 4(1) DIRECTION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees (“the Council”) has made a Direction under Article 4(1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) on Wednesday 18th March 2026 (“the Direction”).

The Direction relates to development consisting of a change of use of a building from a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of Schedule 1 to the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended) to a use falling within Class C4 (houses in multiple occupation) of that Schedule being development comprised within Class L(b) of Part 3 of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) and removes permitted development rights for this type of development from the date on which the Direction comes in force. Therefore, from that date, planning permission will be required for this type of development.

The Direction, subject to confirmation by the Council, shall come into force on Monday 22nd March 2027 (unless a different date is specified by the Secretary of State).

The Direction applies to the entire area of the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees shown edged red on the map attached to the Direction. A copy of the Direction including the map can be viewed at Stockton Central Library and Customer Service Centre, Church Road, Stockton-on-Tees, TS18 1TU and all other libraries within the borough during normal opening hours. A copy of the Direction including the maps can also be viewed online at www.stockton.gov.uk/current-consultations.

Representations may be made concerning the Direction between Thursday 19th March 2026 and Friday 17th April 2026. If you wish to make representations you may do so using the online response form at www.stockton.gov.uk/current-consultations, in writing to Planning Policy, Stockton on Tees Borough Council, Dunedin House, Columbia Drive, Thornaby, Stockton-on-Tees, TS17 6BJ or alternatively by email to planningpolicy@stockton.gov.uk.

Dated: 18th March 2026