

WALSALL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015 (AS AMENDED)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF THE CONFIRMING OF AN ARTICLE 4(1) DIRECTION

NOTICE IS GIVEN by Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council ("the Council"), being the appropriate local planning authority, that it has confirmed a non-immediate Direction ("the Direction") under Article 4(1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development (England) Order 2015 (as amended) ("the 2015 Order") covering the whole borough of Walsall.

The Direction will come into force on the 1 October 2025.

The Direction applies to development consisting of a change of use of a building or any land within its curtilage from a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended) ("the 1987 Order") to a use falling with Class C4 (houses in multiple occupation) of the 1987 Order, being permitted development comprised within Class L of Part 3 of Schedule 2 of the 2015 Order.

The effect of the Direction will remove permitted development rights for this type of development within the borough of Walsall from the date the Direction will come into force – 1 October 2025. Once the Direction is in force planning permission will be required for any change of use from Class C3 to Class C4 of the 2015 Order.

A copy of the Direction, a plan showing the area to which it relates and the reasons for confirming the Direction is available to be viewed on the Walsall Council website – HMO consultation: Article 4 Direction. The public notice will be located in various locations around the borough for viewing.

The Direction was confirmed on 18 June 2025.

The Direction was confirmed subject to the consideration of all the representations received during the consultation period and evidence collected.

The Direction will come into force on 1 October 2025.

DATED THIS XXth day of June 2025.

Director of Governance, Walsall Council, Darwall Street, Walsall, WS1 1TP.