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Government News

29 August 2014 - The Government have published guidance on requirements and procedures for the pre-application process and consultation for major infrastructure projects - [Planning Act 2008: guidance on the pre-application process](#). The guidance is the result of merging and expanding reworked versions of the local authority guidance and the pre-application guidance that went out to [consultation](#) on 13 April 2012. By merging these, we are avoiding unnecessary repetition of the description of common processes. The guidance sets out the necessary requirements and procedures and gives clarity on the scope and scale of the consultation required at the pre-application stage. It covers all the main processes required by an applicant prior to the submission of an application, including the pre-application consultation, Environmental Impact Assessment, Habitats Regulations Assessments, and advice on drafting a Development Consent Order. It has been updated to include a new final section relating to the publication of applications.

European News

27 August 2014 - [The Government have said that they will give UK airlines 6.6 million free carbon allowances a year to help reduce the cost of meeting their obligations under Europe's Emissions Trading Scheme \(ETS\) from 2013-2016](#). The European Union's ETS caps the emissions of over 12,000 power plants, factories and airlines, requiring them to surrender one carbon permit for every tonne of CO2 emitted annually by April of the following year.