

## A GUIDE TO USE CLASSES

The following is a guide to the Use Classes Order 1987 describing the uses allowed under the various classes and the permitted changes of use allowed under the General Development Order 1988.

### Class and description

### permitted change

#### **A1** General retail shops

including retail warehouses, hairdressers, travel agents, dry cleaners, pet shops

no permitted change

#### **A2** Shops used for financial and professional services

including banks, building societies, estate agents, employment agents, betting offices.

permitted change to A1

#### **A3** Restaurant

for consumption of food and drink on the premises.

permitted change to A1 or A2

#### **A4** Public House or wine bar

permitted change to A1, A2 or A3

#### **A5** Take away restaurant

permitted change to A1, A2 or A3

### Sui generis

There are certain uses of shops which are not within the above classes and therefore require specific planning consent:

- Motor vehicle showrooms
- Launderettes, taxi or vehicle hire, amusement centres

permitted change to A1

no permitted change

#### **B1** (a) offices

- (b) research and development, studios, laboratories
- (c) light industrial

permitted change to B8

where no more than 235m<sup>2</sup>

#### **B2** General industrial

permitted change to B1 or B8

where no more than 235m<sup>2</sup>

#### **B8** Storage or distribution

permitted change to B1 or B8

where no more than 235m<sup>2</sup>

#### **C1** Hotel boarding and guest houses

no permitted change

#### **C2** Residential schools and colleges

no permitted change

#### **C3** Residential dwellings

no permitted change

#### **D1** Church halls, clinics, health centres, day nurseries, creches

no permitted change

#### **D2** Cinemas, music and concert halls, dance and sport halls, Yoga/pilates studios and gyms

no permitted change