

# Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill

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**After Clause 128**

BARONESS YOUNG OF OLD SCONE

After Clause 128, insert the following new Clause –

**“Developments affecting ancient woodland**

Within three months of this Act being passed, the Secretary of State must vary The Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2021 so that it applies in relation to applications for planning permission for development affecting ancient woodland.”

*Member's explanatory statement*

*This amendment requires the introduction of a consultation direction for developments affecting ancient woodlands.*

**After Clause 226**

BARONESS YOUNG OF OLD SCONE

After Clause 226, insert the following new Clause –

**“Duty to produce a land use framework**

- (1) The Secretary of State must, no later than one year following the passing of this Act, lay a land use framework for England before Parliament.
- (2) The framework must –
  - (a) outline government objectives and principles in relation to the multifunctional use of land;
  - (b) be based on the principle of multifunctional land use and take account of the whole range of land uses, including agriculture, climate change, biodiversity, access, development, housing, infrastructure, water, energy, natural capital and ecosystem services;
  - (c) promote collaboration and integration across the statutory organisations impacting on land use;

- (d) provide guidance on the application of the framework to enable decision making at national, regional and local levels and to assist individual landowner decision;
  - (e) provide accessible data on land use to support decision makers at national, regional and local levels, including the decisions of individual landowners.
- (3) Before laying the framework before Parliament, the Secretary of State must publish a draft framework and consult with such bodies as have relevant interests in land use and also with the general public.
- (4) Subsections (2) and (3) apply to a revised framework as they apply to a framework laid under subsection (1).”

***Member's explanatory statement***

*The new Clause would require government to consult widely upon and publish a land use framework for England to improve the ability of decision makers at all levels, including individual landowners and managers, to reconcile conflicting land use pressures, make better decisions about conflicting land uses and enable scarce land resources to be used to deliver for multiple objectives.*



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