

SPSO decision report

Case: 201103475, Dumfries and Galloway Council
Sector: local government
Subject: acquisition by authorities, home loss, disturbance, compulsory purchase and repurchase
Outcome: not upheld, no recommendations

Summary

Mr and Mrs C were unhappy because the name of their property appeared in documents that were part of the council's local development plan (a document that says what type of development should take place where, and identifies areas that should not be developed). They said that no-one asked their permission before doing this, nor were they given any warning beforehand. They were unhappy, because they felt that the council's actions went against legislation and guidance, and told us that they felt this had affected the value of their property.

When our planning adviser looked at the information provided both by Mr and Mrs C and the council, he found that the council had acted satisfactorily and followed appropriate guidance. Our investigation found that the council did not need to obtain Mr and Mrs C's permission, or give them prior warning about this, so we did not uphold the complaint.