

# Corporate report: Natural England's response times to planning consultations in England

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Natural England's purpose is to make sure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

This report for the Department for Communities and Local Government shows Natural England's performance as a consultee in the planning system against the statutory duty ('the 21 day duty') to respond to planning application consultations from local authorities and pre-application enquiries from developers within a set time period.