

**LANDS TRIBUNAL**

**BNO/**

**Notice of Reference Form (Blight Notice & Counter-Notice)**

- First unfold the form and read the accompanying notes on pages 3 & 4.
- Complete the form in **BLOCK CAPITALS** and in **BLACK INK** or preferably typed.

**Names of Parties**

Name of Claimant.....

← See note 1. 1 opposite

Address.....

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Telephone No ..... Fax No. .... Status. ....

Name of Claimant’s Solicitor or other Representative .....

← See note 1. 2 opposite

Address.....

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Telephone No ..... Fax No. .... Status. ....

Name of Respondent Authority .....

← See note 1.3 opposite

Address.....

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Telephone No..... Fax No.....

Name of Respondent Authority’s  
Solicitor or other Representative.....

← See note 1. 4 opposite

Address.....

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Telephone No ..... Fax No. .... Status. ....

**The Land / Property**

Description of land / property .....

← See note 2 opposite

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Location or Address of land / property .....

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This is a dispute under the **Town & Country Planning Act 1990 section 153** concerning the validity of a Counter-Notice served on (date) ..... against a Blight Notice served on (date) .....

Blight Notice enclosed

Counter-Notice enclosed

**Expert Witnesses**

*See note B opposite →*  
(  tick one box on each line)

C(i) Do you intend to call an expert witness at the hearing of the reference? Yes  No

C(ii) Do you intend to apply for permission to call more than one expert witness at the hearing of the reference? Yes  No

**Type of Procedure Arrangements**

*See note C opposite →*  
(  tick one box only)

Which type of procedure do you wish to be used in this reference?

Standard procedure  Special procedure  Simplified procedure  Written representation procedure

**Signature And Date**

*See note D opposite →*

I refer this dispute to the Lands Tribunal for decision. I am:

(  tick one box only)

- the claimant
- the solicitor for the claimant
- the agent for the claimant and I enclose a signed authority to act
- the authorised officer of the respondent authority
- the solicitor for the respondent authority

and I accept responsibility for the conduct of the case and the payment of fees.

I have paid the setting-down fee of **£50**.

Signed. .... Date. .... *See note E opposite →*

Name in capitals.....

Enclosures: Fee, copies of Blight Notice, Counter-Notice.

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## Notice of Reference Form

Form BNO

- This form is to be used only for a **reference** concerning a Blight Notice and Counter-notice under section 153 of Town & Country Planning Act 1990 and under Rules 9 - 11 of the Lands Tribunal Rules 1996 (*for any other reference use Form R*)
- Use of this form is not obligatory; it is intended to help users meet the requirements of rule 10. The Lands Tribunal green Explanatory Leaflet may also be helpful
- First open out the form and read the notes on pages 3 and 4, then complete the form on pages 1 and 2

### ← Note A DOCUMENTS

You must enclose copies of the Blight Notice and the Counter-Notice.

### ← Note B EXPERT WITNESS(ES)

An expert witness is a witness who will give opinion evidence in support of your case and who may have a relevant professional qualification. Tick the appropriate box in each case. If you intend to call an expert witness, the Tribunal will ask you in due course to lodge documents about the evidence to be given (reports, valuations, etc.).

The permission of the Tribunal will be required to call more than one expert witness. If you indicate that you wish to call two or more expert witnesses, the Tribunal will write to you about this. The same provisions apply to all parties.

### ← Note C TYPE OF PROCEDURE ARRANGEMENTS

Most cases follow the **Standard Procedure**; if you think your reference should follow the **Simplified Procedure**, the **Special Procedure**, or the **Written Representations Procedure** tick the box and the Tribunal will contact you about it. See the Lands Tribunal Explanatory Leaflet for more information about the procedures.

### ← Note D SIGNATURE AND DATE

Tick the appropriate box. A claimant in person, a solicitor instructed to act, or an officer employed by the appropriate Authority may sign the form. However an agent other than a solicitor may not sign unless there is attached to the form a written authority to act signed by the client.

### ← Note E ENCLOSURES

A fee of **£50** is payable on lodging each notice of reference and must be enclosed. (Please make cheques or postal orders payable to **Tribunals Service**). A copy of the notice to treat (if any), notice of entry (if any) and of any notice of claim or amended notice of claim must be enclosed.

### DELIVERY OF NOTICE OF REFERENCE & DOCUMENTS TO THE TRIBUNAL

The completed Notice of Reference together with enclosures (see Note E) must be sent to:

**The Registrar,  
Lands Tribunal,  
43-45 Bedford Square,  
London  
WC1B 3AS**

**DX: 149065 Bloomsbury 9**

**Tel: 020 7612 9710**

**Fax: 020 7612 9723**

**Notice of Reference Form (Blight Notice & Counter-Notice)**

Please read the notes below and overleaf

**Note 1.1****Claimant →**

Give the full name and usual postal address of the claimant i.e. the person or persons who issued the Blight Notice in respect of the land or property described in the form. The status of the claimant may be an individual, limited company, plc, partnership, firm or corporation, or two or more of these acting jointly; please indicate.

**Note 1.2****Claimant's Representative →**

If representatives are instructed to act, please indicate their name, address, telephone number, fax number and status (e.g. Solicitors, Chartered Surveyors, consultant etc.). Please note that all correspondence and documents including hearing notifications will be sent to the representatives, not direct to the claimant. If a representative ceases to act the claimant (or a solicitor, if acting) must inform the Tribunal at once.

**Note 1.3****Respondent Authority →**

Give the full name and usual postal address of the authority against which the Blight Notice was issued and which issued the Counter-Notice.

**Note 1.4****Respondent Authority's Representative →**

Give the full name and address, telephone number and status (e.g. Solicitor, Chartered Surveyor, consultant, etc.) of the Authority's representative, if any.

**Note 2****The Land / Property →**

**Description of land:** give particulars of the land or property which is the subject of this reference e.g. dwellinghouse, shop, factory, agricultural land, vacant land, car park, etc. The approximate area of the land in sq. metres or hectares may be given if relevant.

**Location of land:** give the full postal address. If the land cannot be identified by a postal address e.g. agricultural land, please give O. S. map references showing the location of the land, or attach a copy map suitably marked.