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Clare is a Knowledge Development Lawyer in the Planning and Zoning (UK) team. She is responsible for the team's knowledge management and training strategy, developing knowhow resources and monitoring legal and market developments.

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Some significant planning changes are proposed in a government consultation on 'An Accelerated Planning System' launched on 6 March 2024 alongside the Spring Budget (which closes on 1 May). These proposed changes cover new processes to speed up planning decisions, details of how the new route to vary planning permissions under s73B TCPA will work and possible solutions to facilitate the operation of overlapping 'drop-in' permissions to prevent Hillside risks arising in large schemes.

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Important changes proposed to the siting of nuclear power stations

The Government's consultation on the siting of nuclear power stations beyond 2025 reflects the changing nuclear landscape in the UK and proposes a new approach to national planning policy that is more flexible and developer led. This is potentially exciting for the developers and manufactures of advanced nuclear technologies such as SMRs if the new policy supports scalability and cost efficiencies. However, whether the proposed changes will provide optimal support warrants careful consideration, as we explain in this Insight.

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