

Chapter 7: The Building Control System

1. What is the purpose of the building control system?

2. Explain the difference between the building regulations and the technical guidance documents.

3. Why is it important that construction materials, products and processes are certified?

4. Define 'planning':

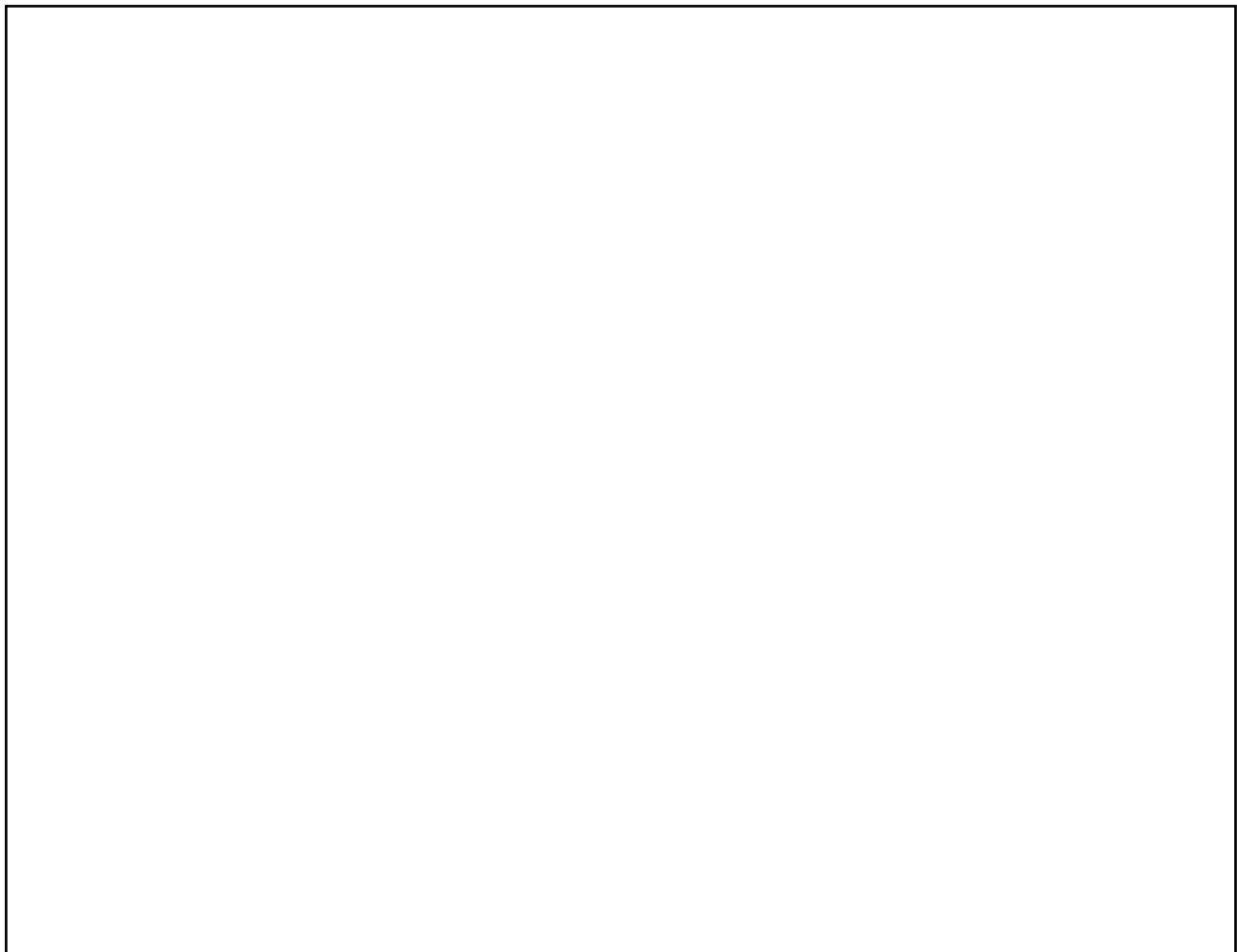
5. Outline the areas addressed in a development plan.

5. What are the benefits of requiring developers to get planning permission?

6. List the documents that must be included with an application for planning permission?

7. Why is it important that these documents are submitted with an application for planning permission?

8. Show, using notes and a simple sketch, the site layout plan of a home with which you are familiar:



9. What can a person do if they are concerned about plans to build something (e.g. a shopping centre) in their area?

10. How does planning policy influence neighbourhoods?

11. Explain briefly how Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 addresses the challenges of social inclusion in neighbourhood design?

12. Outline any three key principles that influence the design of urban communities and state why you think each principle is essential.

13. Outline any three key principles that influence the design of rural communities and state why you think each principle is essential.

14. Describe briefly the relationship between the rate of growth in Ireland's population and the rate of home construction in the period 2001-2011.

15. Describe briefly the consequences of this situation for Irish society.
