CHAPTER SEVEN: PLANNING IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM

Since this chapter brings the story of planning up to the present day, the most valuable form of ‘reading’ you can do is to read the newspapers (especially the Guardian and the Telegraph) and to check the internet and television for news and programmes about developments or changes to the Coalition’s planning system. For example, in spite of the promises to protect the green belt already there have been suggestions that may be a U Turn on this matter.

It is strongly recommended, to keep up with what is going on, that you also read the professional journals, such as The Planner, The Town and Country Planning Association journal, and commercial property journals such as the Estates Gazette and Estates Times.

For those of you who want to gain a deeper academic understanding of the forces at work, which have shaped planning under New Labour, and now the Coalition, so read any of the texts listed in the bibliography by Rydin, Morphet, Healey, and Allmendinger. Note these books are more advanced and may prove difficult because of the emphasis on planning theory and politics.

For example try:

Allmendinger (2001) *New Labour and Planning: From New Right to New Left;* Morphet, (2010) *Effective Practice in Spatial Planning* ; Rydin,. (2013) *The Future of Planning: Beyond Growth Dependence*; and Vigar et al (2000) *Planning Governance and Spatial Strategy in Britain*.