At the January Board, it was agreed that AR would continue to monitor this issue. Since then, a number of leading property and retail trade associations and the RICS have come together to send a letter to the Clerk responsible for Statutory Instruments at the House of Commons arguing that, for various reasons, they should be reported to Parliament. AR agreed to be a signatory to this letter which is set out below. The letter has engendered much publicity and comment in the press and other media and the BBC.