

# Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Act 2004

### PART 2

LAND

Supplementary

# 21 Acquisition of part of certain properties

- (1) This section shall apply instead of section 90 of the 1845 Lands Act in any case where—
  - (a) a notice to treat is served on a person ("the owner") under that Act (as so applied) in respect of land forming only part of a house, building or factory or of land consisting of a house with a park or garden ("the land subject to the notice to treat"); and
  - (b) a copy of this section is served on the owner with the notice to treat.
- (2) In such a case, the owner may, within the period of 21 days beginning with the day on which the notice was served, serve on the authorised undertaker a counter-notice objecting to the sale of the land subject to the notice to treat and stating that the owner is willing and able to sell the whole ("the land subject to the counter-notice").
- (3) If no such counter-notice is served within that period, the owner shall be required to sell the land subject to the notice to treat.
- (4) If such a counter-notice is served within that period, the question whether the owner shall be required to sell only the land subject to the notice to treat shall, unless the authorised undertaker agrees to take the land subject to the counter-notice, be referred to the tribunal.
- (5) If on such a reference the tribunal determines that the land subject to the notice to treat can be taken—
  - (a) without material detriment to the remainder of the land subject to the counternotice; or

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(b) in the case of part of land consisting of a house with a park or garden, without material detriment to the remainder of the land subject to the counter-notice and without seriously affecting the amenity or convenience of the house,

the owner shall be required to sell the land subject to the notice to treat.

- (6) If on such a reference the tribunal determines that only part of the land subject to the notice to treat can be taken—
  - (a) without material detriment to the remainder of the land subject to the counternotice; or
  - (b) in the case of part of land consisting of a house with a park or garden, without material detriment to the remainder of the land subject to the counter-notice and without seriously affecting the amenity or convenience of the house,

the notice to treat shall be deemed to be a notice to treat for that part.

- (7) If on such a reference the tribunal determines that—
  - (a) the land subject to the notice to treat cannot be taken without material detriment to the remainder of the land subject to the counter-notice; but
  - (b) the material detriment is confined to a part of the land subject to the counternotice.

the notice to treat shall be deemed to be a notice to treat for the land to which the material detriment is confined in addition to the land already subject to the notice, whether or not the additional land is land which the authorised undertaker is authorised to acquire compulsorily under this Act.

- (8) If the authorised undertaker agrees to take the land subject to the counter-notice, or if the tribunal determines that—
  - (a) none of the land subject to the notice to treat can be taken without material detriment to the remainder of the land subject to the counter-notice or, as the case may be, without material detriment to the remainder of the land subject to the counter-notice and without seriously affecting the amenity or convenience of the house; and
  - (b) that the material detriment is not confined to a part of the land subject to the counter-notice,

the notice to treat shall be deemed to be a notice to treat for the land subject to the counter-notice whether or not the whole of that land is land which the authorised undertaker is authorised to acquire compulsorily under this Act.

- (9) In any case where by virtue of a determination by the tribunal under this section a notice to treat is deemed to be a notice to treat for less land or more land than that specified in the notice, the authorised undertaker may, within the period of 6 weeks beginning with the day on which the determination is made, withdraw the notice to treat; and if it does so it shall pay the owner compensation for any loss or expense occasioned to the owner by the giving and withdrawal of the notice, the amount of such compensation to be determined in case of dispute by the tribunal.
- (10) Where the owner is required under this section to sell only part of a house, building or factory or of land consisting of a house with a park or garden, the authorised undertaker shall pay the owner compensation for any loss sustained by the owner due to the severance of that part in addition to the value of the interest acquired.

## 22 Extinguishment or suspension of rights of way

- (1) Subject to subsection (6) below, all private rights of way over land subject to compulsory acquisition under this Act shall be extinguished—
  - (a) as from the acquisition of the land by the authorised undertaker, whether compulsorily or by agreement; or
  - (b) on the entry on the land by the authorised undertaker under section 24 below, whichever is sooner.
- (2) Subject to subsection (7) below, all private rights of way over land of which the authorised undertaker takes temporary possession under this Act shall be suspended and unenforceable for as long as the authorised undertaker remains in lawful possession of the land.
- (3) Any person who suffers loss by the extinguishment or suspension of any private right of way under this section shall be entitled to compensation, the amount of such compensation to be determined, in case of dispute, under the 1963 Act.
- (4) This section does not apply in relation to any right of way to which section 224 or 225 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (c. 8) (extinguishment of rights of statutory undertakers etc.) applies.
- (5) Subsections (1) and (2) above shall have effect subject to any agreement made (whether before or after this Act comes into force) between the authorised undertaker and the person entitled to the private right of way.
- (6) The authorised undertaker may, before whichever is the sooner of the events specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) above, determine that any right of way specified in the determination is capable of being exercised compatibly with the construction and maintenance of the relevant part of the authorised works, and that subsection (1) above shall not apply to that right.
- (7) The authorised undertaker may, at any time before or after temporary possession of any land is taken, determine that any right of way specified in the determination is capable of being exercised, in whole or to such extent as may be specified in the determination, compatibly with the temporary use of the land under this Act, and that subsection (2) above shall not apply to that right or shall only apply to the extent specified in the determination.
- (8) Notice of a determination under this section shall be posted on the relevant land—
  - (a) in the case of a determination under subsection (6) above, for the period of 28 days after the sooner of the events specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) above; and
  - (b) in the case of a determination under subsection (7) above, throughout the period that the authorised undertaker remains in possession of the land.
- (9) This section does not apply to any of the land specified in columns (1), (2) and (3) of Part 2 of schedule 7 to this Act (land outside the limits of deviation in which rights are to be acquired).

# 23 Power to enter land for survey, etc.

- (1) The authorised undertaker may, in relation to any land within the limits of deviation or the limits of land to be acquired or used, for the purposes of this Act—
  - (a) survey or investigate the land;

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- (b) without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (a) above, make trial holes in such positions as the authorised undertaker thinks fit on the land to investigate the nature of the surface layer and subsoil and remove water and soil samples;
- (c) without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (a) above, carry out archaeological investigations on the land;
- (d) take steps to protect or remove any flora or fauna on the land where the flora or fauna may be affected by the carrying out of the works;
- (e) place on, leave on and remove from the land apparatus for use in connection with the exercise of any power conferred by paragraphs (a) to (d) above; and
- (f) enter on the land for the purpose of exercising any power conferred by paragraphs (a) to (e) above.
- (2) No land may be entered, and no equipment may be placed or left on or removed from land, under subsection (1) above, unless—
  - (a) on the first occasion at least seven days'; and
  - (b) on subsequent occasions not less than three days',

notice has been served on every owner and occupier of the land.

- (3) Any person entering land under this section on behalf of the authorised undertaker—
  - (a) shall, if so required, before or after entering the land produce written evidence of authority to do so; and
  - (b) may enter with such vehicles and equipment as are necessary for the purpose of exercising any of the powers conferred by subsection (1) above.
- (4) No trial hole shall be made under this section in a carriageway or footway without the consent of the road works authority, but such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- (5) The authorised undertaker shall pay compensation for any damage occasioned, by the exercise of the powers conferred by this subsection, to the owners and occupiers of the land, the amount of such compensation to be determined, in case of dispute, under the 1963 Act.

### 24 Further powers of entry

- (1) At any time after notice to treat has been served in respect of any land which may be purchased compulsorily under this Act the authorised undertaker may enter on and take possession of the land.
- (2) No land may be entered under subsection (1) above unless at least three months' notice has been given to the owner and occupier of the land specifying the land, or part of the land, of which possession is to be taken.
- (3) The authorised undertaker may exercise the powers conferred by this section without complying with sections 83 to 89 of the 1845 Lands Act before such exercise.
- (4) Compensation for the land of which possession is taken under this section, and interest on the compensation awarded, shall be payable as if sections 83 to 89 of the 1845 Lands Act had been complied with.

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### 25 Persons under disability may grant servitudes, etc.

- (1) Persons empowered by the Lands Clauses Acts to sell and convey or dispose of lands may grant to the undertaker a servitude, right or privilege required for any of the purposes of this Act in, over or affecting any such lands.
- (2) A person may not under this section grant a servitude, right or privilege of water in which persons other than the grantor have an interest.
- (3) The provisions of the said Lands Clauses Acts with respect to lands and feu duties or ground annuals shall, so far as applicable, apply to any grant under this section and to the servitudes, rights and privileges granted.

# 26 Period for compulsory acquisition of land

- (1) The authority given by sections 13 and 15 above for the compulsory acquisition of land and new rights for the purposes of this Act shall cease on 31st December 2009.
- (2) The powers conferred by sections 13, 14 and 15 above for the compulsory acquisition of such land and servitudes or other rights shall, for the purposes of this section, be deemed to have been exercised in relation to any land, servitude or right if before 31st December 2009 notice to treat has been served in respect of that land, servitude or right.