

Waverley Railway (Scotland) Act 2006

PART 2

LAND

Powers of acquisition

17 Temporary use of land for construction of works

- (1) The authorised undertaker may, in connection with the carrying out of the authorised works—
 - (a) enter upon and take temporary possession of any of the land specified in columns (1), (2) and (3) of schedule 7 to this Act for the purpose specified in relation to that land in column (4) of that schedule relating to the authorised works specified in column (5) of that schedule;
 - (b) remove any buildings and vegetation from that land; and
 - (c) construct temporary works (including the provision of means of access) and buildings on the land.
- (2) Not less than 28 days before entering upon and taking temporary possession of land under this section the authorised undertaker shall serve notice of the intended entry on the owners and occupiers of the land.
- (3) The authorised undertaker may not, without the agreement of the owners of the land, remain in possession of any land under this section after the end of the period of one year beginning with the date of completion of the work specified in relation to that land in column (5) of schedule 7 to this Act.
- (4) Before giving up possession of land of which temporary possession has been taken under this section, the authorised undertaker shall remove all temporary works and restore the land to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners of the land; but the authorised undertaker shall not be required to replace a building removed under this section.
- (5) The authorised undertaker shall pay compensation to the owners and occupiers of land of which temporary possession is taken under this section for any loss or damage arising from the exercise in relation to the land of the powers conferred by this section.

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- (6) Any dispute as to a person's entitlement to compensation under subsection (5) above, or as to the amount of the compensation, shall be determined under the 1963 Act.
- (7) Without prejudice to section 20 below, nothing in this section shall affect any liability to pay compensation under section 6 or 36 of the 1845 Act or under any other enactment in respect of loss or damage arising from the execution of any works, other than loss or damage for which compensation is payable under subsection (5) above.
- (8) The powers of compulsory acquisition of land conferred by this Act shall not apply in relation to any land of which temporary possession has been taken under subsection (1) above, except that the authorised undertaker shall not be precluded from acquiring—
 - (a) interests in subsoil;
 - (b) new rights; or
 - (c) land within the limits of land to be acquired or used for any purpose specified in relation to that land in schedule 6 to this Act.
- (9) Where the authorised undertaker takes possession of land under this section, it shall not be required to acquire the land or any interest in it.
- (10) In this section "building" includes any structure or erection.