

Acquisition of Land Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 67

PART II

PURCHASES BY LOCAL AND OTHER AUTHORITIES

Notices prior to submission of order to confirming authority

11 Notices in newspapers

- (1) The acquiring authority shall in two successive weeks publish a notice in the prescribed form in one or more local newspapers circulating in the locality in which the land comprised in the order is situated.
- (2) The notice shall—
 - (a) state that the order has been made and is about to be submitted for confirmation,
 - (b) describe the land and state the purpose for which the land is required,
 - (c) name a place within the locality where a copy of the order and of the map referred to therein may be inspected, and
 - (d) specify the time (not being less than twenty-one days from the first publication of the notice) within which, and the manner in which, objections to the order can be made.

12 Notices to owners, lessees and occupiers

- (1) The acquiring authority shall serve on every owner, lessee and occupier (except tenants for a month or any period less than a month) of any land comprised in the order a notice in the prescribed form—
 - (a) stating the effect of the order,
 - (b) stating that it is about to be submitted for confirmation, and
 - (c) specifying the time (not being less than twenty-one days from service of the notice) within which, and the manner in which, objections to the order can be made.

- (2) For the purposes of this section an occupier being a statutory tenant within the meaning of the Rent Act 1977 or the Rent (Agriculture) Act 1976 shall be deemed to be a tenant for a period less than a month.
- (3) Where under this section any notice is required to be served on an owner of land, and the land is ecclesiastical property, a like notice shall be served on the Church Commissioners.

In this subsection " ecclesiastical property" means land belonging to any ecclesiastical benefice, or being or forming part of a church subject to the jurisdiction of the bishop of any diocese or the site of such a church, or being or forming part of a burial ground subject to such jurisdiction.