



# 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 <sup>[F1]</sup>Notices in newspapers.][<sup>F1</sup>Public notices]

(1) The acquiring authority shall—

- <sup>[F2]</sup>(a) 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 <sup>[F3]</sup>, and
- (b) for a period of at least 21 days ending with the day specified under subsection (2)(d), publish a notice in the prescribed form on an appropriate website.]

(2) The <sup>[F4]</sup>notice][<sup>F4</sup>notices] 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, <sup>[F5]</sup>and]
- <sup>[F6]</sup>(ca) specify a website on which those copies may be viewed, and]
- <sup>[F7]</sup>(d) specify the final day for making objections to the order, and the manner in which objections can be made.]

<sup>[F8]</sup>(2A) If the confirming authority is satisfied that, because of special circumstances, it is impracticable for the acquiring authority to make the copies referred to in subsection (2)(c) available for inspection at an appropriate place, the confirming authority may direct that the requirement in subsection (2)(c) (together with that in section 12(1)(ba)) is not to apply.]

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[<sup>F9</sup>(3) In addition, the acquiring authority shall affix a notice in the prescribed form to a conspicuous object or objects on or near the land comprised in the order.

(4) The notice under subsection (3) must—

- (a) be addressed to persons occupying or having an interest in the land, and
- (b) set out each of the matters mentioned in subsection (2) [<sup>F10</sup>(but reading the reference there to first publication of the notice as a reference to the day when the notice under subsection (3) is first affixed)].]

### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 11 heading substituted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(a)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)
- F2** Words in s. 11(1) renumbered as s. 11(1)(a) (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(b)(i)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, **reg. 2(j)**; S.I. 2024/389, **reg. 3(a)** (with reg. 4)
- F3** S. 11(1)(b) and word inserted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(b)(ii)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)
- F4** Word in s. 11(2) substituted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(c)(i)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)
- F5** Word in s. 11(2)(c) omitted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by virtue of [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(c)(ii)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)
- F6** S. 11(2)(ca) inserted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(c)(iii)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)
- F7** S. 11(2)(d) substituted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(c)(iv)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)
- F8** S. 11(2A) inserted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(d)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)
- F9** S. 11(3)(4) added (6.8.2004 for specified purposes, 31.10.2004 in so far as not already in force) by [Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 \(c. 5\)](#), **s. 100(4)** (with s. 100(8)); S.I. 2004/2097, art. 2; S.I. 2004/2593, art. 2(a)
- F10** Words in s. 11(4)(b) omitted (31.1.2024 for specified purposes, 30.4.2024 for E. in so far as not already in force) by virtue of [Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 \(c. 55\)](#), **ss. 181(3)(e)**, 255(7) (with s. 247); S.I. 2024/92, reg. 2(j); S.I. 2024/389, reg. 3(a) (with reg. 4)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 11(3) excluded by [S.I. 2021/51 Sch. 9 para. 32\(1\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S.I. 2021/51 removed from the website by request from the Department of Transport dated 12th July 2021 which followed the decision of the High Court of Justice to quash these Regulations in the judgement dated 8th July 2021 (High Court of Justice — Planning Court — The Queen (on the application of Mair Bain) v. Secretary of State for Transport — Case No. CO/642/2021).)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act applied by [2023 asc 3 s. 43\(2\)](#)
- Act applied by [2023 asc 3 s. 50\(13\)](#)
- Act applied by [2023 asc 3 s. 137\(6\)](#)

**Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):**

- s. 7(4) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 3\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 26(1A)-(3) substituted for s. 26(1)(2) by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 18 para. 3\(3\)](#)