



Town and Country Planning Act 1990

1990 CHAPTER 8

PART XI

STATUTORY UNDERTAKERS

Extinguishment of rights of statutory undertakers, etc.

271 Extinguishment of rights of statutory undertakers: preliminary notices.

- (1) This section applies where any land has been acquired by a Minister, a local authority or statutory undertakers under Part IX of this Act or Chapter V of Part I of the ^{M1}Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 or compulsorily under any other enactment or has been appropriated by a local authority for planning purposes, and—
 - (a) there subsists over that land a right vested in or belonging to statutory undertakers for the purpose of the carrying on of their undertaking, being a right of way or a right of laying down, erecting, continuing or maintaining apparatus on, under or over the land; or
 - (b) there is on, under or over the land apparatus vested in or belonging to statutory undertakers for the purpose of the carrying on of their undertaking.
- (2) If the acquiring or appropriating authority is satisfied that the extinguishment of the right or, as the case may be, the removal of the apparatus, is necessary for the purpose of carrying out any development with a view to which the land was acquired or appropriated, they may serve on the statutory undertakers a notice—
 - (a) stating that at the end of the relevant period the right will be extinguished; or
 - (b) requiring that before the end of that period the apparatus shall be removed.
- (3) The statutory undertakers on whom a notice is served under subsection (2) may, before the end of the period of 28 days from the date of service of the notice, serve a counter-notice on the acquiring or appropriating authority—
 - (a) stating that they object to all or any of the provisions of the notice; and
 - (b) specifying the grounds of their objection.

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- (4) If no counter-notice is served under subsection (3)—
- (a) any right to which the notice relates shall be extinguished at the end of the relevant period; and
 - (b) if at the end of that period any requirement of the notice as to the removal of any apparatus has not been complied with, the acquiring or appropriating authority may remove the apparatus and dispose of it in any way the authority may think fit.
- (5) If a counter-notice is served under subsection (3) on a local authority or on statutory undertakers, the authority or undertakers may either—
- (a) withdraw the notice (without prejudice to the service of a further notice); or
 - (b) apply to the Secretary of State and the appropriate Minister for an order under this section embodying the provisions of the notice, with or without modification.
- (6) If a counter-notice is served under subsection (3) on a Minister—
- (a) he may withdraw the notice (without prejudice to the service of a further notice); or
 - (b) he and the appropriate Minister may make an order under this section embodying the provisions of the notice, with or without modification.
- (7) In this section any reference to the appropriation of land for planning purposes shall be construed in accordance with section 246(1) as if this section were in Part IX.
- (8) For the purposes of this section the relevant period, in relation to a notice served in respect of any right or apparatus, is the period of 28 days from the date of service of the notice or such longer period as may be specified in it in relation to that right or apparatus.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (19.12.2007) by [The Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company \(Land Acquisition\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/3345\)](#), art. 10, **Sch. 2 Pt. 1**
- C2** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (23.8.2007) by [The Docklands Light Railway \(Capacity Enhancement and 2012 Games Preparation\) Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2297\)](#), art. 33, **Sch. 8 para. 1** (with arts. 3(6), 12(3))
- C3** Ss. 271-274 applied (19.3.2007) by [The Ouseburn Barrage Order 2007 \(S.I. 2007/608\)](#), art. 45, **Sch. 5 para. 1**
- C4** S. 271 extended (19.9.1995) by [1995 c. 25, ss. 65\(7\), 125\(2\)](#), **Sch. 8 para. 2(3)(a)** (with ss. 7(6), 115, 117, **Sch. 8 para. 7**)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (7.3.1995) by [S.I. 1995/519](#), art. 28(5), **Sch. 5**
- Ss. 271-273 applied (with modifications) (18.12.1996) by [1996 c. 61, s. 8\(1\)-\(3\)](#)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (11.11.1996) by [S.I. 1996/2714](#), art. 48, **Sch. 9 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (10.2.1997) by [S.I. 1997/264](#), art. 28, **Sch. 9 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (21.5.1997) by [S.I. 1997/1266](#), art. 36, **Sch. 10 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (27.8.1998) by [S.I. 1998/1936](#), art. 41, **Sch. 10 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (3.6.1999) by [S.I. 1999/1555](#), art. 11, **Sch. 2 paras. 1-5**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (21.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/2129](#), art. 20, **Sch. 3 paras. 1-5**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (20.8.1999) by [S.I. 1999/2336](#), art. 25, **Sch. 6 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (23.8.1999) by [S.I. 1999/2981](#), arts. 28(2), 29, **Sch. 10 Pt. 1 para. 2(6)**, **Sch. 11 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (24.12.1999) by [S.I. 2000/428](#), art. 26, **Sch. 4** (with art. 27, **Sch. 5**)

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- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (29.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1347, art. 35, **Sch. 9 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (18.7.2001) by S.I. 2001/2870, art. 25, **Sch. 4**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (24.7.2001) by S.I. 2001/3627, arts. 63, 64, Sch. 11 paras. 1, 2, **Sch. 12 para. 5(3)**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (9.11.2001) by S.I. 2001/3682, art. 33, **Sch. 9 para. 1**
- C5** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (14.3.2002) by The Chester Guided Busway Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/412), art. 35, **Sch. 5 para. 1**, Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 2(4) (with art. 38)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (30.4.2002) by The Heathrow Express Railway Extension Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/1064), art. 28, **Sch. 3 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (30.4.2002) by The Piccadilly Line (Heathrow T5 Extension) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/1065), art. 24, **Sch. 6 paras. 1-6**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (30.4.2002) by The Docklands Light Railway (Silvertown and London City Airport Extension) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/1066), arts. 9, 10, 31, 36, **Sch. 10 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (31.5.2002) by The Greater Manchester (Light Rapid Transit System) (Trafford Depot) Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/1327), arts. 9, 10, 26, 29, **Sch. 5 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (28.4.2003) by The Network Rail (West Coast Main Line) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/1075), art. 41, **Sch. 12 para. 1** (with art. 40)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (25.7.2003 and 29.12.2003 in accordance with the commencing S.I.s) by Communications Act 2003 (c. 21), ss. 118, 411, **Sch. 4 para. 3(5)(6)(c)** (with transitional provisions in Sch. 18); S.I. 2003/1900, arts. 1(2), **2(1)**, Sch. 1 (with transitional provisions in arts. 3-6); S.I. 2003/3142, arts. 1(2), **3(2)** (with art. 11)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (12.1.2004) by The Alconbury Airfield (Rail Facilities and Connection to East Coast Main Line) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/3364), arts. 7, 8, 25, **Sch. 6 para. 1**
- S. 271 applied (with modifications) (4.3.2004) by The Network Rail (West Coast Main Line) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/389), art. 39, **Sch. 12 para. 1**, Sch. 13 para. 42 (with art. 38)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (2.4.2004) by The Docklands Light Railway (Woolwich Arsenal Extension) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/757), arts. 10, 35, 41, **Sch. 12 para. 1**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (19.11.2004) by The Scarweather Sands Offshore Wind Farm Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/3054), art. 30, **Sch. 4 para. 1** (with art. 38)
- C6** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (28.1.2005) by The East Midlands Parkway Station (Land Acquisition) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/8), art. 13, **Sch. 2**
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (11.2.2005) by The Merseytram (Liverpool City Centre to Kirkby) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/120), arts. 11, 40, 64, **Sch. 11 para. 1** (with arts. 65, 66, Sch. 12 para. 2)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (22.3.2005) by The Midland Metro (Wednesbury to Brierley Hill and Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/927), art. 49, **Sch. 10 para. 1** (with art. 51)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (4.5.2005) by The Telford Railfreight Terminal (Donnington) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1163), art. 26, **Sch. 7 para. 1(1)** (with art. 30)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (22.7.2005) by The Midland Metro (Birmingham City Centre Extension, etc.) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1794), art. 45, **Sch. 7 para. 1(1)** (with art. 47)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (3.8.2005) by The Greater Manchester (Leigh Busway) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/1918), arts. 8, 9, 30, 48, **Sch. 10 para. 1** (with art. 50)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (26.8.2005) by The River Tyne (Tunnels) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/2222), arts. 5, 7, 47, **Sch. 11 para. 1** (with arts. 45(1), 48, Sch. 10 para. 21, 29)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (25.11.2005) by The Docklands Light Railway (Capacity Enhancement) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3105), arts. 39, 40, 44, **Sch. 9 para. 1**, Sch. 10 para. 3(2), Sch. 14 para. 3(5) (with arts. 3(5), 15(3))
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (11.1.2006) by The Cambridgeshire Guided Busway Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3523), arts. 8, 10, 32, 50, 51, **Sch. 10 para. 1**, Sch. 11 para. 20 (with art. 52)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (14.9.2006) by The Borough of Poole (Poole Harbour Opening Bridges) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/2310), arts. 7, 8, 44, **Sch. 8 para. 1** (with art. 40, Sch. 7 para. 12)

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- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (22.11.2006) by The Docklands Light Railway (Stratford International Extension) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/2905), arts. 10, 31, 36, 40, **Sch. 11 para. 1**, Sch. 15 para. 2 (with art. 43)
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (13.12.2006) by The Network Rail (Thameslink 2000) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/3117), art. 46, **Sch. 9 para. 1(1)** (with arts. 34, 35(2))
- Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (13.12.2006) by The Luton Dunstable Translink Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/3118), art. 46, **Sch. 10 para. 1(1)**
- C7** S. 271 applied (with modifications) (14.3.2002) by The Chester Guided Busway Order 2002 (S.I. 2002/412), art. 36, **Sch. 6 Pt. II para. 2(4)** (with art. 38)
- C8** Ss. 271-273 applied (with modifications) (22.7.2008) by Crossrail Act 2008 (c. 18), **s. 9(1)-(3)**
- C9** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (21.5.2008) by The Teesport (Land Acquisition) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1238), art. 10, **Sch. 2**
- C10** Ss. 271-274 applied (16.5.2008) by The London Gateway Port Harbour Empowerment Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1261), art. 64, **Sch. 11 para. 1**
- C11** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (14.10.2008) by The Felixstowe Branch Line and Ipswich Yard Improvement Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/2512), art. 45, **Sch. 9 para. 1** (with art. 36(3))
- C12** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (9.6.2009) by The Nottingham Express Transit System Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/1300), arts. 11, 41, 67, **Sch. 11 para. 1** (with Sch. 12 para. 2)
- C13** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (18.9.2009) by The London Underground (Victoria Station Upgrade) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/2364), arts. 8, 29, 31, **Sch. 8 para. 1**
- C14** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (28.10.2009) by The Network Rail (Reading) (Land Acquisition) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/2728), art. 18, **Sch. 6**
- C15** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (20.7.2010) by The Network Rail (Nuneaton North Chord) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1721), art. 30, **Sch. 8 para. 1**
- C16** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2011) by The River Mersey (Mersey Gateway Bridge) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/41), art. 1, **Sch. 9 para. 1** (with art. 51, Sch. 9 para. 54(3), Sch. 10 paras. 68, 85)
- C17** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (21.4.2011) by The Network Rail (Hitchin (Cambridge Junction)) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/1072), art. 1, **Sch. 11 para. 1**
- C18** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (7.8.2012) by The Ipswich Barrier Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/1867), art. 1, **Sch. 6 para. 1** (with arts. 46-48, Sch. 8 para. 18)
- C19** Ss. 271-274 applied (12.8.2012) by The Hinkley Point (Temporary Jetty) (Land Acquisition) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/1924), art. 1, **Sch. 2**
- C20** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (13.11.2012) by The Chiltern Railways (Bicester to Oxford Improvements) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/2679), art. 1, **Sch. 13 para. 1** (with art. 42(2))
- C21** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (28.3.2013) by The Network Rail (Seaham Level Crossing) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/533), art. 1, **Sch. para. 1**
- C22** Ss. 271-274 applied (9.4.2013) by The Hinkley Point C (Nuclear Generating Station) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/648), arts. 1, **35** (with arts. 48, 68, 79)
- C23** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (16.4.2013) by The Network Rail (Pont Briwet) (Land Acquisition) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/767), art. 1, **Sch. 4 para. 1** (with arts. 20, 21, Sch. 4 para. 6)
- C24** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (21.8.2013) by The Croxley Rail Link Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1967), art. 1, **Sch. 8 para. 1** (with Sch. 8 para. 1)
- C25** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (22.8.2013) by The Leeds Railway Station (Southern Entrance) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1933), art. 1, **Sch. 12 para. 1** (with Sch. 13 para. 1)
- C26** Ss. 271, 272 restricted (9.1.2014) by The Ashton Vale to Temple Meads and Bristol City Centre Rapid Transit Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/3244), art. 1, **Sch. 11 para. 4(3)** (with arts. 57, 58, Sch. 11 para. 19)
- C27** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (9.1.2014) by The Ashton Vale to Temple Meads and Bristol City Centre Rapid Transit Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/3244), art. 1, **Sch. 9 para. 1** (with arts. 57, 58, Sch. 11 para. 19)
- C28** S. 271 restricted (7.7.2014) by The East Anglia ONE Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/1599), art. 1, **Sch. 9 para. 4(3)** (with arts. 37, 38, Sch. 9 paras. 6(3), 19)
- C29** Ss. 271-274 applied (19.8.2014) by The Network Rail (Huyton) Order 2014 (S.I. 2014/2027), art. 1, **Sch. 7 para. 1** (with art. 31(2), Sch. 7 para. 5)

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- C30** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (15.12.2014) by [The London Underground \(Northern Line Extension\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3102\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 7** (with Sch. 8 paras. 42(2), 45)
- C31** Ss. 271, 272 restricted (31.12.2014) by [The Hornsea One Offshore Wind Farm Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3331\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 12 para. 14(3)** (with arts. 37, 38)
- C32** Ss. 271, 272 restricted (7.1.2015) by [The Willington C Gas Pipeline Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3328\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 9 para. 4(4)** (with Sch. 9 para. 15)
- C33** Ss. 271, 272 restricted (7.1.2015) by [The Willington C Gas Pipeline Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3328\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 9 para. 4(3)**
- C34** S. 271 restricted (25.2.2015) by [The A160/A180 \(Port of Immingham Improvement\) Development Consent Order 2015 \(S.I. 2015/129\)](#), art. 1, **Sch. 8 para. 26(3)**
- C35** Ss. 271-274 applied (with modifications) (24.9.2014) by [The Thames Water Utilities Limited \(Thames Tideway Tunnel\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2384\)](#), **arts. 1, 42(4)(5)**
- C36** Ss. 271-274 excluded (24.9.2014) by [The Thames Water Utilities Limited \(Thames Tideway Tunnel\) Order 2014 \(S.I. 2014/2384\)](#), arts. 1, **Sch. 16 Pt. 5 para. 4(3)**
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