



# Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006

## 2006 CHAPTER 16

### PART 1

#### NATURAL ENGLAND AND THE COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

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#### NATURAL ENGLAND

#### *General implementation powers*

#### **7 Management agreements**

- (1) Natural England may make an agreement (a “management agreement”) with a person who has an interest in land about the management or use of the land, if doing so appears to it to further its general purpose.
- (2) A management agreement may, in particular—
  - (a) impose on the person who has an interest in the land obligations in respect of the use of the land;
  - (b) impose on the person who has an interest in the land restrictions on the exercise of rights over the land;
  - (c) provide for the carrying out of such work as may be expedient for the purposes of the agreement by any person or persons;
  - (d) provide for any matter for which a management scheme relating to a site of special scientific interest provides (or could provide);
  - (e) provide for the making of payments by either party to the other party or to any other person;
  - (f) contain incidental and consequential provision.

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (3) A management agreement is, unless the agreement otherwise provides—
  - (a) binding on persons deriving title under or from the person with whom Natural England makes the agreement, and
  - (b) enforceable by Natural England against those persons.
- (4) Schedule 2 to the Forestry Act 1967 (c. 10) (power for tenant for life and others to enter into forestry dedication covenants) applies to management agreements as it applies to forestry dedication covenants.
- (5) For the purposes of any enactment or rule of law as to the circumstances in which the dedication of a highway or the grant of an easement may be presumed, or may be established by prescription, the use by the public or by any person of a way across land at any time while it is the subject of a management agreement is to be disregarded.
- (6) “Interest in land” has the same meaning as in the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 (c. 97).
- (7) “Management scheme” and “site of special scientific interest” have the same meaning as in Part 2 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (c. 69).