STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 684

The Midland Metro (Wolverhampton City Centre Extension) Order 2016

PART 3

ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION OF LAND

Powers of acquisition

Application of Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981

29.—(1) The Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981(1) applies as if this Order were a compulsory purchase order.

(2) The Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981, as applied by paragraph (1), has effect with the following modifications.

(3) In section 3 (preliminary notices), for subsection (1) substitute—

"(1) Before making a declaration under section 4 with respect to any land which is subject to a compulsory purchase order the acquiring authority must include the particulars specified in subsection (3) in a notice which is—

- (a) given to every person with a relevant interest in the land with respect to which the declaration is to be made (other than a mortgagee who is not in possession); and
- (b) published in a local newspaper circulating in the area in which the land is situated.".

(4) In that section, in subsection (2), for "(1)(b)" substitute "(1)" and after "given" insert "and published".

(5) In that section, for subsections (5) and (6) substitute—

"(5) For the purposes of this section, a person has a relevant interest in land if-

- (a) that person is for the time being entitled to dispose of the fee simple of the land, whether in possession or reversion; or
- (b) that person holds, or is entitled to the rents and profits of, the land under a lease or agreement, the unexpired term of which exceeds one month."
- (6) In section 5 (earliest date for execution of declaration)
 - (a) in subsection (1), after "publication" insert "in a local newspaper circulating in the area in which the land is situated"; and
 - (b) omit subsection (2).

(7) In section 7 (constructive notice to treat), in subsection (1)(a), omit "(as modified by section 4 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981)".

^{(1) 1981} c. 66.

(8) References to the 1965 Act are to be construed as references to that Act as applied to the acquisition of land by article 28 (application of Part 1 of the 1965 Act).