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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 815**

**The Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam  
to Robertsbridge Junction) Order 2023**

**PART 3**

**ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION OF LAND**

*Powers of acquisition*

**Application of Part 1 of the 1965 Act**

**19.**—(1) Part 1 of the 1965 Act, in so far as not modified by or inconsistent with the provisions of this Order, applies to the acquisition of land under this Order—

- (a) as it applies to a compulsory purchase to which the Acquisition of Land Act 1981(1) applies; and
- (b) as if this Order were a compulsory purchase order under that Act.

(2) Part 1 of the 1965 Act, as applied by paragraph (1), has effect with the following modifications.

(3) Omit section 4 (which provides a time limit for compulsory purchase of land).

(4) In section 4A(1)(2) (extension of time limit during challenge) for “section 23 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (application to the High Court in respect of compulsory purchase order), the three year period mentioned in section 4”, substitute “section 22 of the Transport and Works Act 1992 (validity of orders under section 1 or 3), the five year period mentioned in article 26 (time limit for exercise of powers of acquisition) of the Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order 2023.”

(5) In section 11(1B)(3) (powers of entry) in a case where the notice to treat relates only to the acquisition of an easement or other right over land, for “3 months” substitute “1 month”.

(6) In section 11A(4) (powers of entry: further notices of entry)—

- (a) in subsection (1)(a), after “land” insert “under that provision”;
- (b) in subsection (2), after “land” insert “under that provision”.

(7) In section 22(2) (expiry of time limit for exercise of compulsory purchase power not to affect acquisition of interests omitted from purchase), for “section 4 of this Act” substitute “article 26 of the Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order 2023”.

(8) In Schedule 2A(5) (counter-notice requiring purchase of land not in notice to treat)—

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(1) 1981 c. 67.

(2) Section 4A(1) was inserted by section 202(1) of the Housing and Planning Act 2016 (c. 22).

(3) Section 11(1B) was inserted by section 186(1) and (2)(b) of the Housing and Planning Act 2016.

(4) Section 11A was inserted by section 186(3) of the Housing and Planning Act 2016.

(5) Schedule 2A was inserted by paragraph 3 of Schedule 3 to the Housing and Planning Act 2016.

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(a) for paragraphs 1(2) and 14(2) substitute—

“(2) But see article 21 (power to acquire airspace only) of the Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order 2023, which excludes the acquisition of airspace only from this Schedule”; and

(b) after paragraph 29 insert—

## “PART 4

### INTERPRETATION

**30.** In this Schedule, references to entering on and taking possession of land do not include doing so under articles 22 (temporary use of land for construction of works) and 23 (temporary use of land for maintenance of works) of the Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order 2023.”.