
WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 54 (W.5)

HOUSING, WALES

The Housing (Right to Acquire and Right to Buy) (Designated Rural Areas and Designated Regions) (Wales) Order 2003

Made - - - - *14th January 2003*

Coming into force - - *7th February 2003*

The National Assembly for Wales in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 157 of the Housing Act 1985(1) and section 17 of the Housing Act 1996(2), having consulted, in accordance with subsection (6) of section 17 of the Housing Act 1996, such local authorities and bodies as are mentioned in that subsection, makes the following Order:—

Name and commencement

1. The name of this Order is the Housing (Right to Acquire and Right to Buy) (Designated Rural Areas and Designated Regions) (Wales) Order 2002 and it comes into force on 7th February 2003.

Designation of rural areas

2. The communities specified in the Schedule to this Order are designated as rural areas for the purposes of section 157(1)(c) of the Housing Act 1985 (restriction on disposal of dwelling houses in National Parks, etc.) and section 17(1)(b) of the Housing Act 1996 (right of tenant to acquire dwelling).

Designated regions

3. In relation to a dwellinghouse in Wales other than one to which Article 4 of this order applies, which is situated in a National Park or an area designated under section 82 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000(3), or section 87 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949(4) or an area designated by Article 2 of this order as a rural area, the designated region for the purposes of section 157(3) of the Housing Act 1985 shall comprise the following:

(1) 1985 c. 68; See article 2 of and Schedule 1 to the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/672).
(2) 1996 c. 52; See article 2 of and Schedule 1 to the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 (S.I. 1999/672).
(3) 2000 c. 37.
(4) 1949 c. 97.

- (a) that National Park or area of outstanding natural beauty or designated rural area, as the case may be; and
- (b) so much of the county or county borough in which the dwellinghouse is situated as is not within that National Park, area of outstanding natural beauty or designated rural area.

Wye Valley Area

4.—(1) This article applies to dwellinghouses situated in the areas designated as an area of outstanding natural beauty for the purposes of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 by the Wye Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (Designation) (Wales) Order 1971.

(2) In relation to a dwellinghouse to which this article applies, the designated region for the purposes of section 157(3) of the 1985 Act shall be the area comprising the following:

- (a) the area designated by that order, and
- (b) so much of the county in which the dwellinghouse is situated as is not within the area designated by that order.

Revocation and amendment

5.—(1) The Housing (Right to Buy) (Designated Rural Areas and Designated Regions) (Wales) Order 1980(5) is revoked;

(2) For every dwellinghouse in the communities specified in the Schedule to this Order which has been occupied by its current tenant or tenants on or after the 7th of February 2003, Article 3 of the Leasehold Reform and Housing (Excluded Tenancies) (Designated Rural Areas) (Wales) Order 1997(6) shall be read as if paragraph (b) has been deleted; and

(3) For every dwellinghouse in the communities specified in the Schedule to this Order which was occupied by its current tenant or tenants before the 7th of February 2003, Article 3 of the Leasehold Reform and Housing (Excluded Tenancies) (Designated Rural Areas) (Wales) Order 1997(7) paragraph (b) shall continue to have effect instead of the provisions of this Order.

Signed on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales under section 66(1) of the Government of Wales Act 1998(8).

14th January 2002

D.Elis-Thomas
The Presiding Officer of the National Assembly

(5) [S.I. 1980/1375](#).
(6) [S.I. 1997/685](#).
(7) [S.I. 1997/685](#).
(8) [1998 c. 38](#).

SCHEDULE

Article 2

In the County Borough of Bridgend

Coychurch Higher, Llangynwyd Lower, Merthyr Mawr.

In the County Borough of Caerphilly

Argoed, Darran Valley, Rudry.

In the County of Cardiff

St. Fagans.

In the County of Carmarthenshire

Abergwili, Aber-nant, Bronwydd, Cefn Sidan, Cenarth, Cil-y-cwm, Cilymaenllwyd, Clynderwen, Cynwyl Elfed, Cynwyl Gaeo, Eglwyscummin, Gorslas, Henllanfallteg, Kidwelly, Laugharne Township, Llanarthney, Llanboidy, Llanddarog, Llanddowror, Llandeilo, Llandyfaelog, Llanegwad, Llanfair-ar-y-bryn, Llanfihangel Aberbythych, Llanfihangel Rhos-y-Corn, Llanfihangel-ar-Arth, Llanfynydd, Llan-gain, Llangathen, Llangelor, Llangunnor, Llangyndeyrn, Llangynin, Llangynog, Llanllawddog, Llanllwni, Llan-non, Llanpumsaint, Llansadwrn, Llansawel, Llansteffan, Llanwinio, Llanwrda, Llanybydder, Llanycrwys, Manordeilo and Salem, Meidrim, Newcastle Emlyn, Newchurch and Merthyr, Pencarreg, Pendine, Pontyberem, St. Clears, St. Ishmael, Talley, Trelech, Trimsaran, Whitland and those parts of the following communities not located within the Brecon Beacons National Park: Dyffryn Cennen, Llandovery, Llangadog, Myddfai.

In the County of Ceredigion

Aberaeron, Aberporth, Beulah, Blaenrheidol, Borth, Ceulanamaesmawr, Ciliau Aeron, Dyffryn Arth, Faenor, Geneu'r Glyn, Henfynyw, Llanarth, Llanbadarn Fawr, Llanddewi Brefi, Llandyfriog, Llandysiliogogo, Llandysul, Llanfair Clydogau, Llanfarian, Llanfihangel Ystrad, Llangeitho, Llangoedmor, Llangrannog, Llangwryfon, Llanybi, Llangynfelyn, Llanilar, Llanllwchaiarn, Llanrhystyd, Llansantffraed, Llanwenog, Llanwnnen, Lledrod, Melindwr, Nantcwnlle, New Quay, Penbryn, Pontarfynach, Tirymynach, Trawsgoed, Trefeurig, Tregaron, Troed-yr-aur, Y Ferwig, Ysbyty Ystwyth, Ysgubor-y-coed, Ystrad Fflur, Ystrad Meurig.

In the County Borough of Conwy

Betws-yn-Rhos, Cerrigydrudion, Eglwys-bach, Llanddoged and Maenan, Llanfair Talhaiarn, Llanfihangel Glyn Myfyr, Llangernyw, Llangwm, Llanefydd, Llansanffraid Glan Conwy, Llansannan, Pentrefoelas and those parts of the following communities not located within the Snowdonia National Park: Bro Garmon, Caerhun, Dolgarrog, Henryd, Llanfairfechan, Llanrwst, Trefriw,

In the County of Denbighshire

Betws Gwerfil Goch, Bodelwyddan, Cefn Meiriadog, Clocaenog, Corwen, Cyffylliog, Cynwyd, Derwen, Efenechtyd, Gwyddelwern, Henllan, Llandrillo, Llanelidan, Llangollen, Llanrhaeadr-ying-Nghinmeirch, Llantysilio, Llanynys, Nantglyn, Trefnant, Waun and those parts of the following communities not located within the Clwydian Range Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty: Aberwheeler, Bodfari, Bryneglwys, Cwm, Dyserth, Llanfair Dyffryn Clwyd, Llandegla, Llanarmon-yn-Iâl, Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd, Llandyrnog, Llangynhafal, Tremeirchion.

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In the County of Flintshire

Brynford, Halkyn, Llanfynydd, Mostyn, Sealand, Whitford, and those parts of the following communities not located within the Clwydian Range Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty: Caerwys, Cilcain, Llanasa, Nannerch, Nercwys, Trelawnyd and Gwaenysgor, Treuddyn, Ysceifiog.

In the County of Gwynedd

Bontnewydd, Criccieth, Llanrug, Llanwnda, Llanystumdwy, Pentir, Y Felinheli; those parts of the following communities not located within the Snowdonia National Park: Aber, Arthog, Barmouth, Betws Garmon, Clynnog, Corris, Dolbenmaen, Ffestiniog, Llanberis, Llanddeiniolen, Llandderfel, Llandwrog, Llandygai, Llanfrothen, Llanygwer, Llanllechid, Llanllyfni, Penrhyndeudraeth, Tywyn, Waunfawr; and those parts of the following communities not located within the Lley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty: Aberdaron, Botwnnog, Buan, Clynnog, Llanaelhaearn, Llanbedrog, Llanengan, Llannor, Nefyn, Pistyll, Tudweiliog.

In the County of Isle of Anglesey

Bodedern, Bodffordd, Bryngwran, Llanfihangel Ysgeifiog, Llangristiolus, Llannerch-y-medd, Mechell, Penmynydd, Rhosybol, Tref Alaw, Trewalchmai; and those parts of the following communities not located within the Anglesey Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty: Aberffraw, Beaumaris, Bodorgan, Cwm Cadnant, Cylch-y-Garn, Llanbadrig, Llanddaniel Fab, Llanddona, Llanddyfnan, Llanelian, Laneugrad, Llanfachraeth, Llanfaelog, Llanfaethlu, Llanfair-yn-neubwll, Llangoed, Llanidan, Moelfre, Pentraeth, Rhosyr, Trearddur, Valley.

In the County Borough of Merthyr Tydfil

That part of the following community not located within the Brecon Beacons National Park: Vaynor.

In the County of Monmouthshire

Caer-went, Gwehelog Fawr, Llan-arth, Llanbadoc, Llangattock-Vibon-Avel, Llan-gwm, Llanybi, Llanhennock, Llantilio Crossenny, Llantrisant Fawr, Portskewett, Rogiet, Usk; those parts of the following communities not located within the Brecon Beacons National Park: Crucorney, Goetre Fawr, Grosmont, Llanfoist Fawr, Llanover; and those parts of the following communities not located within the Wye Valley area of Outstanding Natural Beauty: Devauden, Mathern, Mitchel Troy, Raglan, Shirenewton, Trelleck United.

In the County Borough of Newport

Coedkernew, Goldcliff, Langstone, Llanvaches, Llanwern, Michaelstone-y-Fedw, Nash, Penhow, Redwick, Wentlooge.

In the County of Pembrokeshire

Ambleston, Boncath, Camrose, Cilgerran, Clydau, Johnston, Kilgetty/Begelly, Lampeter Velfrey, Letterston, Llanddewi Velfrey, Llandissilio West, Llanstadwell, Manordeifi, Narberth, New Moat, Rosemarket, Rudbaxton, Scleddau, Spittal, St. Florence, Templeton, Tiers Cross, Trecwn, Wiston, Wolfscastle; and those parts of the following communities not located within the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park: Amroth, Brawdy, Burton, Carew, Castlemartin, Cosheston, Crymch, Cwm Gwaun, Eglwysrwr, Freystrop, Hayscastle, Herbrandston, Hundleton, Jeffreyton, Lamphey, Llangwm and Hook, Llanrhian, Llawhaden, Maenclochog, Martletwy, Mathry, Mynachlog-ddu, Nevern, Nolton and Roch, Penally, Pencaer, Puncheston, Slebech, Solva, St. Dogmaels, St. Mary Out Liberty, Stackpole, The Havens, Uzmaston and Boulston, Walwyn's Castle.

In the County of Powys

Abbey Cwmhir, Aberedw, Aberhafesp, Banwy, Bausley with Criggion, Beguildy, Berriew, Bettws, Bronllys, Builth, Cadfarch, Caersws, Carno, Carreghofa, Castle Caereinion, Churchstoke, Churchstoke (detached), Cilmery, Clyro, Disserth and Trecoed, Duhonw, Dwyriw, Erwood, Felinfach, Forden, Gladestry, Glantwymyn, Glasbury, Glascwm, Guilsfield, Kerry, Knighton, Llanafan Fawr, Llanbadarn Fawr, Llanbadarn Fynydd, Llanbister, Llanbrynmair, Llanddewi Ystradenny, Llandinam, Llandrinio, Llandysilio, Llandyssil, Llanelwedd, Llanerfyl, Llanfair Caereinion, Llanfechain, Llanfihangel, Llanfihangel Rhydithon, Llanfyllin, Llangamarch, Llangedwyn, Llangunllo, Llangurig, Llangyniew, Llangynog, Llanidloes, Llanidloes Without, Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant (formerly in the county of Clwyd), Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant, Llansantffraid, Llansilin, Llanwddyn, Llanwrthwl, Llanwrtyd Wells, Llanyre, Machynlleth, Manafon, Meifod, Merthyr Cynog, Mochdre, Montgomery, Nantmel, New Radnor, Old Radnor, Painscastle, Pen-y-Bont-Fawr, Pen-y-bont, Presteigne, Rhayader, St. Harmon, Trefeglwys, Treflys, Tregynon, Tre-wern, Welshpool, Whitton; and those parts of the following communities not located within the Brecon Beacons National Park: Gwernyfed, Honddu Isaf, Llanddew, Llanfrynach, Llangors, Llanigon, Llywel, Maescar, Talgarth, Tawe Uchaf, Trallong, Yscir, Ystradgynlais.

In the County Borough of Rhondda Cynon Taff

Llwydcoed, Rhigos; and that part of the following community not located within the Brecon Beacons National Park: Hirwaun.

In the County of Swansea

Llangyfelach, Mawr; and that part of the following community not located within the Gower Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty: Llanrhidian Higher.

In the County Borough of the Vale of Glamorgan

Colwinston, Ewenny, Llan-maes, Llancarfan, Llandow, Llanfair, Llangan, Michaelston, Pendoylan, Penllyn, Peterston-super-Ely, St. Bride's Major, St. Donats, St. Georges-super-Ely, St. Nicholas and Bonvilston, Welsh St. Donats, Wenvoe, Wick.

In the County Borough of Wrexham

Abenbury, Bangor-Is-y-Coed, Bronington, Ceiriog Ucha, Erbistock, Glyntraian, Hanmer, Holt, Isycoed, Llangollen Rural, Llansantffraid Glyn Ceiriog, Maelor South, Marchwiel, Minera, Overton, Rossett, Sesswick, Willington Worthenbury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Under section 157 of the Housing Act 1985 (“the 1985 Act”) where in pursuance of Part V of that Act (the right to buy) a conveyance or grant is executed by a local authority or a housing association (the landlord) of a dwelling-house situated in—

- a National Park,

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- an area designated under section 82 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 as an area of outstanding natural beauty, or
- an area designated by order of the National Assembly for Wales as a rural area,

the conveyance or grant may contain a covenant limiting the freedom of the tenant to dispose of the dwelling-house in the manner specified by that section.

Under section 16 of the Housing Act 1996 (“the 1996 Act”) a tenant of a registered social landlord has a right in certain circumstances to acquire the dwelling of which he or she is a tenant. This is however subject to section 17 of the 1996 Act whereby the National Assembly may by order designate rural areas in relation to dwellings in which the right conferred by section 16 does not arise.

This order designates rural areas for the purposes of section 157 of the 1985 Act and section 17 of the 1996 Act. It replaces the Housing (Right to Buy) (Designated Rural Areas and Designated Regions) (Wales) Order 1980. In addition, for tenancies which commenced on or after 7th February 2003, this Order replaces Article 3(b) of the Leasehold Reform and Housing (Excluded Tenancies) (Designated Rural Areas) (Wales) Order 1997. For tenancies which commenced before 7th February 2003, article 3(b) of the Leasehold Reform and Housing (Excluded Tenancies) (Designated Rural Areas) (Wales) Order 1997 continues to be effective and this Order shall not apply to the same.