



Development of Rural Wales Act 1976

1976 CHAPTER 75

Supplemental

34 Interpretation.

(1) In this Act, except where the context otherwise requires—

“accounting year”, in relation to the Board, means the period of twelve months ending with the 31st March in any year, except that the Board’s first accounting year shall begin with the day on which the Board is incorporated by virtue of this Act and end on 31st March 1978;

“acquired under the new towns code”, and cognate expressions, have the meanings given by paragraph 56 of Schedule 3 to this Act;

“appropriate Minister” has the meaning given by paragraph 56 of Schedule 3 to this Act;

“development”, in relation to a new town, includes laying out and redevelopment;

“farming” includes horticulture, fruit growing, seed growing, dairy farming, the breeding and keeping of livestock (including any creature kept for the production of food, wool, skins or fur or the purpose of its use in the farming of land), the use of land as grazing land, meadow land, osier land, market gardens and nursery grounds, and “agricultural” and “agricultural operations” shall be construed accordingly;

“housing account dwelling”, in relation to the Board, means a dwelling which is within the Board’s housing account but excluding a dwelling for the time being let on a long tenancy at a low rent within the meaning of the ^{M1}Leasehold Reform Act 1967 and a dwelling no longer owned by the Board;

“industrial” is to be taken as including a reference to any description of commercial activity;

“land” includes any estate or interest in or right over land;

“local authority” means the council of a county, [^{F1}or county borough] or of a community and includes any joint board or joint committee if all the constituent authorities are local authorities;

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“local highway authority” means a highway authority other than the Secretary of State;

“new town” and “area of a new town” have the same meanings as in the [F²New Towns Act 1981];

“the new towns code” has the meaning given by section 5(2) of this Act;

“operational land”, in relation to statutory undertakers, means—

- (a) land which is used for the purpose of carrying on their undertaking, and
- (b) land in which an interest is held for that purpose,

not being land which, in respect of its nature and situation, is comparable rather with land in general than with land which is used, or in which interests are held, for the purpose of the carrying on of statutory undertakings;

“statutory undertakers” means—

- (a) persons authorised by virtue of any enactment to carry on any railway, light railway, tramway, road transport, water transport, canal, inland navigation, dock, harbour, pier or lighthouse undertaking, or any undertaking for the supply of . . . F³, . . . F⁴[F⁵hydraulic power or water][F⁵or hydraulic power], and
- (b) . . . F⁶the Civil Aviation Authority, F⁷. . . the Post Office, the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority;

and “statutory undertaking” shall be construed accordingly.

- (2) Except in so far as the context otherwise requires, any reference in this Act to an enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, applied or extended by or under any other enactment, including this Act.

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 34(1): Words in definition of “local authority” substituted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(6), **Sch. 16 para. 53(2)** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**.
- F2** Words substituted by New Towns Act 1981 (c. 64, SIF 123:3), **Sch. 12 para. 21(b)**
- F3** Word repealed by Electricity Act 1989 (c. 29, SIF 44:1), s. 112(3)(4), Sch. 17 paras. 33, 35(1), **Sch. 18**
- F4** Word and comma repealed by Gas Act 1986 (c. 44, SIF 44:2), s. 67(4), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**
- F5** Words “or hydraulic power” substituted (E.W.) for the words “hydraulic power or water” by Water Act 1989 (c. 15, SIF 130), s. 190, **Sch. 25 para. 54** (with ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 193(1), Sch. 26 paras. 3(1)(2), 17, 40(4), 57(6), 58)
- F6** Words repealed by Airports Act 1986 (c. 31, SIF 9), s. 83(5), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**
- F7** S. 34(1): Words in para. (b) of definition of “statutory undertakers” repealed (31.10.1994) by 1994 c. 21, s. 67, Sch. 9 para. 19(2), **Sch. 11 Pt. II** (with ss. 40(7), 66); S.I. 1994/2553, **art. 2**.

Marginal Citations

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