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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 684**

**The Midland Metro (Wolverhampton  
City Centre Extension) Order 2016**

**PART 3**

**ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION OF LAND**

*Temporary possession of land*

**Temporary use of land for construction of works**

- 33.**—(1) The Authority may, in connection with the carrying out of the authorised works—
- (a) enter upon and take temporary possession of—
    - (i) so much of the land shown on the works and land plans as lying within the temporary limits for the purpose specified in relation to that land in column (3) of Schedule 6 (land of which temporary possession may be taken) relating to the scheduled works specified in column (4) of that Schedule; and
    - (ii) any of the land within the permanent limits in respect of which no notice of entry has been served under section 11(1) (powers of entry) of the 1965 Act or no declaration has been made under section 4 (execution of declaration) of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981;
  - (b) remove any buildings and vegetation from that land; and
  - (c) construct temporary works (including the provision of means of access) and buildings on the land.
- (2) Not less than 14 days before exercising the powers of paragraph (1) the Authority must serve notice of the intended entry on the owners and occupiers of the land.
- (3) The Authority may not, without the agreement of the owners of the land, remain in possession of any land of which temporary possession has been taken under this article—
- (a) in the case of land lying within the temporary limits, after the end of the period of 2 years beginning with the date of completion of the work specified in relation to that land in column (4) of Schedule 6; or
  - (b) in the case of land within the permanent limits, after the end of the period of 2 years beginning with the date of completion of the work for which temporary possession of the land was taken unless the Authority has, by the end of that period, served a notice of entry under section 11 of the 1965 Act or made a declaration under section 4 of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 in relation to that land.

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(1) Section 11 was amended by section 34(1) of, and Schedule 4 to, the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (c. 67), section 3 of, and part 1 of Schedule 1 to, the Housing (Consequential Provisions) Act 1985 (c. 71), section 14 of, and paragraph 12(1) of Schedule 5 to, the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 2006 (No. 1) and S.I. 2009/1307.

(4) Before giving up possession of land of which temporary possession has been taken under this article, the Authority must remove all temporary works and restore the land to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners of the land; but the Authority is not required to replace a building removed under this article.

(5) The Authority must pay compensation to the owners and occupiers of land of which temporary possession is taken under this article for any loss or damage arising from the exercise in relation to the land of the powers conferred by this article.

(6) Any dispute as to a person's entitlement to compensation under paragraph (5), or as to the amount of the compensation, is to be determined under Part 1 (determination of questions of disputed compensation) of the 1961 Act.

(7) Without affecting article 52 (no double recovery), nothing in this article affects any liability to pay compensation under section 10(2)(2) (further provision as to compensation for injurious affection) of the 1965 Act or under any other enactment in respect of loss or damage arising from the execution of any works, other than loss or damage for which compensation is payable under paragraph (5).

(8) Where the Authority takes possession of land under this article, the Authority is not required to acquire the land or any interest in it.

(9) Section 13(3) (refusal to give possession to acquiring authority) of the 1965 Act applies to the temporary use of land under this article to the same extent as it applies to the acquisition of land under this Order by virtue of article 28(1) (application of Part 1 of the 1965 Act).

### **Temporary use of land for maintenance of works**

34.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), at any time during the maintenance period relating to the scheduled works, the Authority may—

- (a) enter upon and take temporary possession of any land within the Order limits reasonably required for the purpose of maintaining the work or any ancillary works connected with it or securing the safe operation of any such work; and
- (b) construct such temporary works (including the provision of means of access) and buildings on the land as may be reasonably necessary for that purpose.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not authorise the Authority to take temporary possession of—

- (a) any house or garden belonging to a house; or
- (b) any building (other than a house) if it is for the time being occupied.

(3) Not less than 28 days before entering upon and taking temporary possession of land under this article the Authority must serve notice of the intended entry on the owners and occupiers of the land.

(4) The Authority may only remain in possession of land under this article for so long as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the maintenance works for which possession of the land was taken.

(5) Before giving up possession of land of which temporary possession has been taken under this article, the Authority must remove all temporary works and restore the land to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners of the land.

(6) The Authority must pay compensation to the owners and occupiers of land of which temporary possession is taken under this article for any loss or damage arising from the exercise in relation to the land of the powers conferred by this article.

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(2) Section 10 was amended by section 4 of, and paragraph 13(2) of Schedule 2 to, the Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11) and S.I. 2009/1307.

(3) Section 13 was amended by sections 62(3) and 139 of, and paragraph 27 and 28 of Schedule 13, and part 3 of Schedule 23, to, the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007 (c. 15).

(7) Any dispute as to a person's entitlement to compensation under paragraph (6), or as to the amount of the compensation, is to be determined under Part 1 (determination of questions of disputed compensation) of the 1961 Act.

(8) Without affecting article 52 (no double recovery), nothing in this article affects any liability to pay compensation under section 10(2) (further provision as to compensation for injurious affection) of the 1965 Act or under any other enactment in respect of loss or damage arising from the execution of any works, other than loss or damage for which compensation is payable under paragraph (6).

(9) Where the Authority takes possession of land under this article, the Authority is not required to acquire the land or any interest in it.

(10) The powers conferred by this article must not be exercised in relation to any street without the consent of the street authority, which must not be unreasonably withheld.

(11) Section 13 (refusal to give possession to acquiring authority) of the 1965 Act applies to the temporary use of land under this article to the same extent as it applies to the acquisition of land under this Order by virtue of article 28(1) (application of Part 1 of the 1965 Act).

(12) In this article, "the maintenance period", in relation to a scheduled work, means the period of 5 years beginning with the date on which the work is opened for public use.