

# HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT 2023

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 2 — Monuments of special historic interest**

#### *Chapter 2 — Schedule of monuments of national importance*

#### *Section 7 — When interim protection ends*

#### *Schedule 1 — End of interim protection for monuments*

40. [Section 7](#) sets out how and when interim protection comes to an end.
41. If the Welsh Ministers decide to add a monument to the schedule or add a new part to an existing monument in the schedule, interim protection ends at the beginning of the day specified in the notice that the Welsh Ministers are required to give under section 4 (see subsections (1)(a) and (2)(a) of section 7).
42. If, on the other hand, the Welsh Ministers decide not to add a monument to the schedule or add a new part to an existing monument in the schedule, they must serve notice of their decision on every owner and occupier and every local authority in whose area the monument is situated. Interim protection will cease at the beginning of the day specified in that notice (see subsections (1)(b), (2)(b) and (3)).
43. [Schedule 1](#) — which is introduced by this section — applies when interim protection comes to an end as a result of the service of a notice under section 7(1)(b) or (2)(b); it sets out how the end of interim protection affects various actions taken while interim protection was in effect (including enforcement action and criminal liability).