

HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT 2023

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 — Monuments of special historic interest

Chapter 3 — Control of works affecting scheduled monuments

Section 14 — Applying for scheduled monument consent

66. **Section 14** puts in place the fundamental structure for the scheduled monument consent application process.
67. It prescribes how an application must be made to the Welsh Ministers, sets out its required content and provides the Welsh Ministers with powers to make regulations on further aspects of the application procedure (subsections (1) to (3)).
68. Subsections (4) and (5) allow for a simplified application procedure for scheduled monument consent where works are of a minor nature. Such works might include: localised erosion repairs, replacing short stretches of fencing, re-bedding loose stones, or installing plaques or signs. In cases where proposed minor works will have a neutral or positive impact on a monument, Cadw may agree the works during a site visit and dispense with the need for a formal application. In all cases, even where a written application is not required, works will only be authorised on receipt of written scheduled monument consent, which is granted under section 13(1).