HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT 2023

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2 — Monuments of special historic interest

Chapter 6 — Acquisition, guardianship and public access

Section 46 — Supplementary provision about guardianship deeds

- 163. Section 46(1) establishes that a guardianship deed is a local land charge. The title to the property will therefore alert any purchaser of the existence of the deed, and the restrictions imposed by the terms of the deed.
- 164. Subsection (2) provides for a situation where person A derives title to a monument of special historic interest from person B who has executed a guardianship deed. Person A will be bound by the guardianship deed unless person A's title to the monument was derived from a disposal made by person B before the execution of the guardianship deed.
- 165. Subsection (3) provides that the Welsh Ministers or a local authority may not become guardians of a monument occupied as a dwelling, apart from where the occupier is the caretaker or a member of the caretaker's family.