

*These notes refer to the Historic Environment (Wales) Act  
2023 (c.3) which received Royal Assent on 14 June 2023*

# HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT 2023

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

#### **Part 3 — Buildings of special architectural or historic interest**

##### *Chapter 6 — General*

##### *Section 152 — Powers to enter land*

570. [Section 152](#) sets out the different circumstances when a person authorised in writing by the Welsh Ministers or by a planning authority or other local authority can enter land in association with Part 3 (buildings of special architectural or historic interest) and Part 4 (conservation areas) of the Act.
571. Examples of persons authorised by the Welsh Ministers might be Cadw officers visiting buildings to assess them for designation or monitor their condition. Planning authorities, for instance, might authorise planning, conservation or enforcement officers to enter land in conjunction with their duties.
572. [Section 152\(7\)](#) allows an officer of the Valuation Office of His Majesty's Revenue and Customs or a person authorised in writing by the planning authority or the Welsh Ministers to enter land to survey or estimate the value of the land in connection with a claim for compensation.