

HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT 2023

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 7 — General

Section 199 — Information about interests in Crown land

705. **Section 199** allows the Welsh Ministers to make requests in certain cases to the appropriate Crown authority for information about the nature of its interest in Crown land and the name and address of any other person who may have an interest in the land. The request for information may not relate to a private interest in Crown land, in which case section 197 will apply. The Welsh Ministers may only request information about interests in Crown lands for certain purposes which relate to enabling the Welsh Ministers, or a local authority (as defined in section 157) to exercise the particular functions under the Act set out in section 197(2). “Appropriate Crown authority” and “private interest” are defined in section 207.
706. Subsection (3) requires the appropriate Crown authority to comply with such a request unless it does not know the information or it would disclose information about national security or measures for the security of land or other property.