

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 4

#### HIGHWAYS

#### **PART 2**

##### INTERFERENCE WITH HIGHWAYS

###### *Permanent obstruction*

- 7 (1) The powers under section 2(1), (3) and (5) may be exercised in such a way as to obstruct the highway, but only with the consent of the highway authority, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld.
- (2) Any dispute with a highway authority under sub-paragraph (1) must be referred to arbitration if the parties so agree, but must otherwise be determined by the Secretary of State.
- (3) If a highway authority which receives an application for consent under sub-paragraph (1) fails to notify the applicant of its decision on the application before the end of 28 days beginning with the date on which the application was made, it is to be treated as having granted it.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the High Speed Rail (West Midlands - Crewe) Act 2021, Paragraph 7.