STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Chester Guided Busway Order 2002

PART III

ACQUISITION AND POSSESSION OF LAND

Powers of acquisition

Application of Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981

16.—(1) The Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981(1) shall apply as if this Order were a compulsory purchase order.

(2) In its application by virtue of paragraph (1), the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 shall have effect with the following modifications.

(3) In section 3 (preliminary notices), for subsection (1) there shall be substituted—

"(1) Before making a declaration under section 4 below with respect to any land which is subject to a compulsory purchase order the acquiring authority shall include the particulars specified in subsection (3) below in a notice which is—

- (a) given to every person with a relevant interest in the land with respect to which the declaration is to be made (other than a mortgagee who is not in possession), and
- (b) published in the London Gazette and in one or more local newspapers circulating in the locality of the authorised works."

(4) In that section, in subsection (2), for "(1)(b)" there shall be substituted "(1)" and after "given" there shall be inserted "and published".

(5) In that section, subsections (5) and (6) shall be omitted and at the end there shall be inserted—

"(5) For the purposes of this section, a person has a relevant interest in land if-

- (a) he is for the time being entitled to dispose of the fee simple of the land, whether in possession or reversion; or
- (b) he holds, or is entitled to the rents and profits of, the land under a lease or agreement, the unexpired term of which exceeds one month."
- (6) In section 5 (earliest date for execution of declaration)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), after "publication" there shall be inserted "in the London Gazette and in one or more local newspapers circulating in the locality of the authorised works"; and
 - (b) subsection (2) shall be omitted.

(7) In section 7 (constructive notice to treat) in subsection (1)(a), the words "(as modified by section 4 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981)"(2) shall be omitted.

⁽**1**) 1981 c. 66.

^{(2) 1981} c. 67.

(8) References to the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 shall be construed as references to that Act as applied to the acquisition of land under article 17.