



# Welsh Development Agency Act 1975

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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1 —

#### *Appointment and tenure of members of the Agency and of committees*

- 1 It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State—...
- 2 Subject to the following provisions of this Schedule, a person...
- 3 A person may at any time resign his office as...
- 4 Where a member becomes or ceases to be the chairman...
- 5 If the chairman or deputy chairman ceases to be a...
- 6 (1) If the Secretary of State is satisfied that a...
- 7 A person who ceases to be a member, or ceases...

#### *Staff*

- 8 Subject to section 2(4) and (5) above, the staff of...

#### *Remuneration etc.*

- 9 The Agency shall pay to each of their members and...
- 10 The Agency shall make such provision as may be determined...
- 11 Where a person ceases to be a member of the...
- 12 (1) The Agency may, in the case of such of...

#### *Disqualification of members of the Agency for House of Commons*

- 13 In Part II of Schedule 1 to the House of...

#### *Proceedings*

- 14 Subject to paragraph 15 below and to any direction under...
- 15 (1) A member of the Agency or of any such...
- 16 The validity of any proceedings of the Agency or a...

#### *Incorporation of Agency and execution of instruments and contracts*

- 17 The Agency shall be a body corporate.
- 18 The fixing of the common seal shall be authenticated by...
- 19 A document purporting to be duly executed under the seal...
- 19A (1) A certificate signed by the chief executive of the...
- 19B A person dealing with the Agency, or with a person...

#### *Stamp duty*

- 20 (1) Stamp duty shall not be chargeable on any instrument...

#### *Circulars*

- 21 Section 21(1) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000...

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*Acquisition of holdings of minority shareholders*

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SCHEDULE 2 —

*Transfer of Staff*

1 In the case of any person to be employed by...

*Compensation for members or staff of the Corporation*

- 2 The Secretary of State may, out of money provided by...
- 3 The Secretary of State shall by regulations require the Agency...
- 4 Different regulations may be made under paragraph 3 above in...
- 5 Regulations under paragraph 3 above— (a) may prescribe the procedure...
- 6 The power to make regulations conferred by paragraph 3 above...

*Continuity of employment*

7 For the purposes of— the Employment Rights Act 1996, there...

*Consequential repeals*

8 In section 10(1) of the Local Employment Act 1972 the...

SCHEDULE 3 — Borrowing and guarantees

*Financing of the Agency by Government*

- 1 (1) In respect of the exercise of the functions of...
- 2 The Secretary of State may, out of money provided by...

*Borrowing Powers*

(3) For the purpose of exercising its functions under this Act,...

*Government loans to the Agency*

4 (1) The Secretary of State may, with the approval of...

*Borrowing by wholly owned subsidiaries*

(5) It is the duty of the Assembly to secure that...

*Guarantees*

6 (1) The Treasury may guarantee, in such manner and on...

*The Agency's Capital Debt*

7 (1) Upon any acquisition to which this paragraph applies, the...

*Accounts of the Agency, etc.*

8 (1) The Agency shall keep proper accounts and proper records...

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9 (1) It shall be the duty of the Agency to...

SCHEDULE 4 — Acquisition of land

Part I — COMPULSORY ACQUISITION

1 (1) The Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (referred to...

1A (1) Where a compulsory purchase order is prepared in...

2 (1) This paragraph applies where a compulsory purchase order of...

3 (1) Where a compulsory purchase order is made by the...

3A For the purposes of paragraphs 1A and 3 above, each...

Part II — ACQUISITION BY AGREEMENT

4 The provisions of Part I of the Compulsory Purchase Act...

Part III — “CLEANSING” PROVISIONS

*Extinguishment of rights over land compulsorily acquired*

5 (1) On the completion by the Assembly of a compulsory...

...

6 “”

*Use and development of consecrated land and burial grounds*

7 (1) Any consecrated land (whether or not including a building)...

*Use and development of land for open spaces*

8 (1) Any land which— (a) is, or forms part of,...

*Paragraphs 6 to 8: supplementary*

9 In construing the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 in relation to...

10 (1) Nothing in paragraph 7 or 8 above authorises any...

*Extinguishment of rights of way, and rights as to apparatus, of statutory undertakers*

11 (1) This paragraph applies where any land has been acquired...

*Orders under paragraph 11*

12 (1) Before making an order under sub-paragraph (4A) or (5)...

*Notice for same purposes as paragraph 11 but given by statutory undertakers to Assembly*

13 (1) This paragraph applies where any land has been acquired...

Part IV — OTHER PROVISIONS

*Rights of entry*

14 (1) Any person duly authorised in writing by the Assembly...

15 (1) A person authorised under paragraph 14 above to enter...

*Displacement of legislation preventing possession*

16 If the Assembly, in relation to a house in Wales,...

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*Register of land holdings*

- 17 (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide for...

*Information*

- 18 (1) Where, with a view to performing any function of...  
19 (1) The council of every county and county borough in...

*Regulations as to form of documents*

- 20 (1) The Assembly may make regulations for prescribing the...

*Local inquiries*

- 21 Section 250 of the Local Government Act 1972 (costs of...

*Crown land*

- 22 (1) A private interest in land may be acquired compulsorily...

*Offences by corporations*

- 23 (1) Where an offence under this Schedule which has been...

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- Sch. 3 para. 3 repealed by [2014 c. 29 s. 21\(1\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment comes into force on the day on which 2006 c. 32, s 121(1A) (inserted by 2014 c. 29, s. 20) comes into force, see s. 29(7))
- Sch. 3 para. 6 repealed by [2014 c. 29 s. 21\(1\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force on the day on which 2006 c. 32, s 121(1A) (inserted by 2014 c. 29, s. 20) comes into force, see s. 29(7))

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 4 para. 3B inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 190\(4\)](#)