

3. By virtue of section 4(4) of the High Speed Rail Act, the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 ("the 1981 Act") applies as if the High Speed Rail Act were a compulsory purchase order.

4. Pursuant to section 3A of the 1981 Act² before making a general vesting declaration ("GVD") under section 4 of the 1981 Act which the Acquiring Authority shall, in a notice which is (a) given to every person with a relevant interest in the land with respect to which a declaration is to be made (other than a mortgagee who is not in possession); and (b) published in the London Gazette, include the particulars in section 3A(3) of the 1981 Act³.

5. Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 3A of the 1981 Act⁴ of the Statement of the Effect of Parts 2 and 3 of the 1981 Act which provides an explanation of the process for and the effect of a GVD in respect of the land described in Schedule 1 hereto.

SCHEDULE 1

DISTRICT OF LICHFIELD

(1) Plot No	(2) Description
27783	All interests in 5.75 square metres, or thereabouts, of private access track verge (Hints Bypass, A5)
27784	All interests in 24.37 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land (Hints Bypass, A5)
27786	All interests in 6,134.51 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land and public footpath (Hints 0.378) (Watling Street)
27787	All interests in 40,107.35 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land, half width of brook (Black Brook) and public footpaths (Hints 19 and Hints 0.377) (Watling Street) excluding any interests held up the Secretary of State for Transport
27788	All interests in 34.87 square metres, or thereabouts, of garden (The Lodge) (Watling Street) excluding any interests held by the Secretary of State for Transport
27789	All interests in 15,427.59 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land and public footpath (Hints 19) (Watling Street)
27790	All interests in 35,873.88 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land, private access track, public bridleway (Hints 4), farm buildings and yards (Buck's Head Farm) (Watling Street)
27791	All interests in 296.68 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land (Watling Street)
27792	All interests in 557.79 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land (Watling Street)
27793	All interests in 69.33 square metres, or thereabouts, of private road, verge and public footpath (Hints 5) (Watling Street) excluding any interests held by the Secretary of State for Transport
27795	All interests in 73,139.63 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land and public bridleway (Hints 4) (Hints Bypass, A5)

(1) Plot No	(2) Description
27796	All interests in 529.72 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land (Hints Bypass, A5)
29215	All interests in 20,591.33 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land (Watling Street)
29216	All interests in 801.29 square metres, or thereabouts, of brook (Black Brook) (Watling Street)
29217	All interests in 6,101.62 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land, house and garden, farm buildings and yard, private access track (Buck's Head Farm) and public bridleway (Hints 4) (Watling Street) excluding any interests held up the Secretary of State for Transport
29232	All interests in 1,005.5 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land and private track verge (Watling Street)
29233	All interests in 169.14 square metres, or thereabouts, of agricultural land and private track verge (Watling Street)
29240	All interests in 4,847.6 square metres, or thereabouts, of public road verge (Hints Bypass, A5)
29242	All interests in 36.01 square metres, or thereabouts, of private access track verge (Watling Street)

SCHEDULE 2

PART 1

STATEMENT OF EFFECT OF PARTS 2 AND 3 OF THE COMPULSORY PURCHASE (VESTING DECLARATIONS) ACT 1981 POWER TO EXECUTE A GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION

1. The Acquiring Authority may acquire any of the land described in Schedule 1 above by executing a general vesting declaration under section 4 of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 ("the 1981 Act"). This has the effect, subject to paragraphs 3 and 5 below, of vesting the land in the Acquiring Authority at the end of the period mentioned in paragraph 2 below.

NOTICES CONCERNING GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION

2. As soon as may be after the Acquiring Authority executes a general vesting declaration, they must serve notice of it on every occupier of any of the land specified in the declaration (except land where there is one of the tenancies described in paragraph 4) and on every person who gives them information relating to the land in pursuance of the invitation contained in any notice. When the service of notices of the general vesting declaration is completed, a period specified in the declaration, of not less than three months, will begin to run. On the first day after the end of this period the land described in the declaration will, subject to what is said in paragraphs 3 and 5, vest in the Acquiring Authority together with the right to enter on the land and take possession of it. Every person on whom the Acquiring Authority could have served a notice to treat in respect of his interest in the land (other than a tenant under one of the tenancies described in paragraph 4) will be entitled to claim compensation for the acquisition of his interest in the land, with interest on the compensation from the vesting date.

3. The "vesting date" for any land specified in a declaration will be the first day after the end of the period mentioned in paragraph 2 above, unless a counter-notice is served under Schedule A1 to the 1981 Act⁵ within that period. In such circumstances, the vesting date for the land which is the subject of the counter-notice will be determined in accordance with Schedule A1.