

## THE NATIONAL GRID ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION PLC (PELHAM TO RAYLEIGH OVERHEAD LINE REINFORCEMENT) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2026

### COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF NEW RIGHTS IN THE PELHAM TO RAYLEIGH REGION



1. Notice is hereby given that National Grid Electricity Transmission plc has made the National Grid Electricity Transmission plc (Pelham to Rayleigh Overhead Line Reinforcement) Compulsory Purchase Order 2026 under section 10 and paragraph 1 of Schedule 3 to the Electricity Act 1989. It is about to submit this order to The Secretary of State for Energy Security & Net Zero for confirmation, and if confirmed, the order will authorise National Grid Electricity Transmission plc to purchase compulsorily the new rights described below for the purpose of upgrading a section of overhead line in the Pelham to Rayleigh Region by way of reconductoring the existing Quad Zebra conductors to Triple Araucaria between Pelham, Twinstead Tee, and Rayleigh.
2. A copy of the order and of the accompanying map may be seen at the following locations and times:

|   | Monday      | Tuesday     | Wednesday   | Thursday    | Friday      | Saturday    | Sunday      |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Bishop's Stortford Library, The Causeway, Bishop's Stortford. CM23 2ED      | 10:00-19:00 | 10:00-18:00 | 10:00-18:00 | 10:00-18:00 | 10:00-18:00 | 10:00-17:00 | 12:00-16:00 |
| Braintree Library, 5 Fairfield Rd, Braintree. CM7 3YL                       | 09:00-19:00 | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-17:00 | Closed      |
| Chelmsford Library, Chelmsford County Hall, Market Rd, Chelmsford. CM1 1QH. | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-19:00 | 09:00-17:30 | 09:00-17:00 | 10:30-13:30 |

3. A copy of the order which gives details on the extent, description and situation of the land included in the order and of the accompanying map may be viewed online at [www.nationalgrid.com/pelhamtorayleigh](http://www.nationalgrid.com/pelhamtorayleigh) or by scanning the QR code above.
4. Any objection to the order must be made in writing to John McKenna, Head of Electricity Network Planning Team, Energy Infrastructure Delivery, Energy Development, Department for Energy Security & Net Zero, 3-8 Whitehall Place, London. SW1A 2EG or to [John.McKenna@energysecurity.gov.uk](mailto:John.McKenna@energysecurity.gov.uk) before 19 June 2026 and should state the title of the order, the grounds of objection and the objector's address and interests in this land.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW RIGHTS

Rights for the purpose of upgrading a section of approximately 100 kilometres of overhead line in the East Anglia Region by way of reconductoring the existing Quad Zebra conductors to Triple Araucaria between Pelham, Twinstead Tee and Rayleigh. These rights are described in more detail in the Order and Schedule and labelled as follows: "Overhead Line Rights", "Construction Compound Rights" and "Construction and Operational Access Rights". These rights are sought in respect of the following land: a swathe of land, generally 70m in width, running from Pelham Substation, which is approximately 7.5km north west from Bishop's Stortford to Rayleigh Main Substation, approximately 1.8km west of Rayleigh. From Pelham the line of route proceeds in a roughly easterly direction, crossing the River Stort near Maggots End, the M11 and the River Cam near Ugley, the West Anglia Main Railway Line near Little Henham, the River Chelmer near Debden Green, the River Pant at Great Samford, the A1017 and the

River Colne north of Castle Hedingham and the A131 west of Wickham St Paul before reaching Loshhouse Farm Road near Great Henny. At this point the line of route turns to head in a southerly direction until it reaches the Colchester Road at White Colne, at which point it heads in a generally south westerly direction, crossing the River Colne at Chalkney Mill and the A120 and River Blackwater near Bradwell. At this point the line of route turns to head in a roughly easterly direction until reaching an electricity distribution site near Tye Green, where the line proceeds in a roughly southerly direction, crossing the Braintree Branch Line at Cressing, the River Brain at The Green, the River Ter near Fuller Street, the Great Eastern Main Line and A12 at Boreham, the River Chelmer near Chelmsford, the A12 and A1060 north of Sandon, the A12 near of Howe Green, the A132 at Runwell, the A129 at Rawreth and the A12 to the east of Rayleigh Main Substation before terminating.

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On behalf of National Grid Electricity Transmission plc

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