



**ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT 1981**  
**APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 6 OF SCHEDULE 3 TO THE**  
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**PROPOSED COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF RIGHTS OVER**  
**LAND TO FACILITATE THE PROPOSED NATIONAL GRID ELECTRICITY**  
**TRANSMISSION PLC (DINORWIG TO PENTIR CABLE REPLACEMENT**  
**PROJECT) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2021**

1. On 24 September 2021, National Grid Electricity Transmission Plc (“the applicant”) made the National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC (Dinorwig to Pentir Cable Replacement Project) Compulsory Purchase Order 2021 (“the Order”). The Order is made pursuant to Section 10 and Schedule 3 of the Electricity Act 1989. The purpose of the Order is to allow the applicant to acquire compulsorily the rights included in the Order which are required in order to facilitate delivery of the Dinorwig to Pentir Cable Replacement Project. The Order will allow the applicant’s replacement of the two existing cable circuits with three circuits of underground cables between a substation in Dinorwig Mountain, a substation at Pentir and a sealing end compound at Penisa’r Waun.
2. On 17 December 2021, the applicant made an application for a certificate pursuant to the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (the “ALA 1981”). Under this application, the applicant seeks a certificate from the Welsh Ministers under Section 28 of, and paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 3 to ALA 1981, to authorise the compulsory acquisition pursuant to the Order of rights over land which comprises open space.
3. The land and rights which are the subject of the application are described in the Schedule attached to this notice.
4. Paragraph 6 of Schedule 3 to the ALA 1981 provides that:  
*“(1) In so far as a compulsory purchase order authorises the acquisition of a right over land forming part of a common, open space or fuel or field garden allotment, it shall be subject to special parliamentary procedure unless the Secretary of State is satisfied—*  
(a) *that the land, when burdened with that right, will be no less advantageous to those persons in whom it is vested and other persons, if any, entitled to rights of common or other rights, and to the public, than it was before, or*  
(aa) *that the right is being acquired in order to secure the preservation or improve the management of the land*  
(b) *that there has been or will be given in exchange for the right additional land which will as respects the persons in whom there is vested the land over which the right is to be acquired, the persons, if any, entitled to rights of common or other rights over that land, and the public, be adequate to compensate them for the disadvantages which result from the acquisition of the right, and that the additional land has been or will be vested in the persons in whom there is vested the land over which the right is to be acquired, and subject to the like rights, trusts and incidents as attach to that land apart from the compulsory purchase order, or*  
(c) *that the land affected by the right to be acquired does not exceed 250 square yards in extent, and that the giving of other land in exchange for the right is unnecessary, whether in the interests of the persons, if any, entitled to rights of common or other rights or in the interests of the public, and certifies accordingly.”*
5. The Secretary of State’s functions under paragraph (6)(1) of Schedule 3 to the ALA 1981 were transferred to the National Assembly for Wales by the National Assembly for Wales (Transfer of Functions) Order 1999 and was subsequently transferred to the Welsh Ministers by virtue of paragraph 30(1) of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006.
6. Before a Certificate can be issued, paragraph 6(3) of Schedule 3 to the ALA 1981 requires the Welsh Ministers to direct the applicant (as acquiring authority) to give public notice of the intention to grant the certificate. **The applicant hereby gives notice of the Welsh Ministers’ intention to grant a certificate in respect of the application** on the basis that, the land, when burdened with the rights proposed to be acquired, will be no less advantageous to those persons in whom it is vested and other persons, if any, entitled to rights of common or

other rights, and to the public, than it was before, in accordance with paragraph 6(1)(a) of Schedule 3 to the ALA 1981.

7. Any representations or objections should be submitted in writing and addressed to:  
Designated Landscapes & Countryside Access Branch Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ; or  
Via email: [accessandrecreationmynediadahamdden@gov.wales](mailto:accessandrecreationmynediadahamdden@gov.wales), before 27 May 2022 quoting reference MA/LW/0273/22
8. The Order, Order Maps and plans showing the areas of open space land over which rights are proposed to be acquired can be viewed during opening hours at Caernarfon Library, Pavilion Hill, Caernarfon LL55 1ASD and <https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity-transmission/network-and-infrastructure/dinorwig-pentir>
9. The Welsh Ministers may, if it appears to them expedient to do so, hold a public local inquiry into the case.
- Yours sincerely



Ceri Witchard  
Head of Land, Nature and Forestry Division  
Welsh Government  
Signed under authority of the Deputy Minister for Climate Change, one of the Welsh Ministers.

#### **SCHEDULE** **Relevant Open Space Land**

##### **HDD3 Area: Approximately 5714 metres squared of grassland surrounded by woodland to the south of Craig Y Dinas**

<b>Plot</b>	<b>Description</b>
5-14	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 5,714 square metres of grassland, copse, hedgerow, and overhead electricity cables, to the south of Craig Y Dinas, Llanddeiniolen

##### **HDD1 Area: Approximately 2595 metres squared comprised of parts of Llyn Padarn and Afon Y Bala, situated to the West of the National Slate Museum**

<b>Plot</b>	<b>Description</b>
8-05	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 1,103 square metres of lake (Llyn Padarn) to the west of the National Slate Museum, Llanberis
8-06	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 26 square metres of lake (Llyn Padarn) to the west of the National Slate Museum, Llanberis
8-07	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 1,466 square metres of river, bed and banks (Afon y Bala) to the west of the National Slate Museum, Llanberis

##### **Open Access Grazing Land Area: Approximately 28613 metres squared of grazing land and grass land**

<b>Plot</b>	<b>Description</b>
8-08	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 21,496 square metres of agricultural grazing land, hedgerows, footway, public footpath (Llanberis/48), and overhead electricity cables, to the north east of the A4086, Llanberis
8-09	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 7,117 square metres of grassland, footways and copse to the north of Electric Mountain Visitors Centre, Llanberis

##### **Ger Y Llyn Car Park Picnic Area: Approximately 1605 metres squared of a grassed area and copse adjacent to the Ger Y Llyn Car Park Picnic Area**

<b>Plot</b>	<b>Description</b>
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8-21	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 568 square metres of grassed area and copse adjacent to the Ger Y Llyn car park, Llanberis
8-22	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 72 square metres of grassed area adjacent to the Ger Y Llyn car park, Llanberis
8-23	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 965 square metres of grassed area, footway, boat ramp, hardstanding and public footpath (Llanberis/48) adjacent to the Ger Y Llyn car park, Llanberis

**HDD2 Area: Approximately 13,034 metres squared of land, access track, copse, public footpath, grassland and parts of the Afon Y Bala**

Plot	Description
8-40	Cable Rights and Construction and Compound Rights in respect of approximately 4,623 square metres of agricultural grazing land and access track to the north east of the A4086, Llanberis
8-41	Construction and Compound Rights in respect of approximately 2,804 square metres of agricultural grazing land, access track and copse to the north east of the A4086, Llanberis
8-46	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 3,156 square metres of agricultural grazing land, access track and public footpath (Llanberis/48) to the north east of the A4086, Llanberis
8-47	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 2,451 square metres of river, bed and banks (Afon y Bala) and public footpath (Llanberis/48) to the north east of the A4086, Llanberis

**Padarn Lake Playground : Approximately 1259 metres squared comprising two playground areas**

Plot	Description
8-27	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 359 square metres of padarn Lake playground and public footway to the east of A4086, Llanberis
8-28	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 61 square metres of padarn Lake playground and public footway to the east of A4086, Llanberis
8-29	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 750 square metres of padarn Lake playground and public footpath (Llanberis/48) to the east of A4086, Llanberis
8-30	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 11 square metres of grassed verge (A4086, Llanberis)
8-31	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 8 square metres of grassed verge (A4086, Llanberis)
8-32	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 70 square metres of grassed verge (A4086, Llanberis)

**Llafn y Cewri Roadside Verge: Approximately 502 metres squared comprising verge, grassed area and footway adjacent to the A4086 Llanberis**

Plot	Description
8-32a	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 502 square metres of verge, grassed area and footways adjacent to the A4086, Llanberis

**Walled Area: Approximately 356 metres squared comprising hardstanding and buildings adjacent to the Vivian Dive Centre, Llanberis**

Plot	Description
8-56	Construction and Operational Access Rights in respect of approximately 108 square metres of hardstanding adjacent to the Vivian Dive Centre, Llanberis
8-57	Cable Rights in respect of approximately 248 square metres of hardstanding and building adjacent to the Vivian Dive Centre, Llanberis