

**THE NATIONAL GAS TRANSMISSION PLC (WESTERN GAS NETWORK PROJECT)
COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2022**

GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION No. 5

This **GENERAL VESTING DECLARATION** is executed on the 15TH day of JULY 2026 by National Gas Transmission Plc ("the Authority").

WHEREAS:

- (A) On 23rd November 2023 an order entitled The National Gas Transmission Plc (Western Gas Network) Compulsory Purchase Order 2022 was confirmed by the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero under the powers conferred on him by the Gas Act 1986 authorising the Authority to acquire the rights specified in column 4 of the Second Schedule over the Plots of land respectively specified and described in columns 1 and 2 of that Schedule.
- (B) Notice of the confirmation of the order was first published in accordance with section 15 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 on the 10th January 2024.
- (C) That notice included the statement and form prescribed under section 15(4)(e) and (f) of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH that, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 4 of the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 ("the Act"), the Authority hereby declare-

- 1. The rights specified in column 4 of the Second Schedule hereto (being rights authorised to be acquired over the land by the order) together with the right to exercise such rights shall, in relation to the Plots of land specified in column 1 and described in column 2 of the Second Schedule, and more particularly delineated red and coloured blue on the Plans annexed hereto, vest in the Authority as from the end of the period of 3 months from the date on which the service of notices required by section 6 of the Act is completed ("Vesting Date").
- 2. The rights vested in the Authority by this declaration ("Vested Rights") shall be exercisable by the Authority for the benefit of each and every part of the Western Gas Network Project, in respect of which the order was made, and the corporeal and incorporeal property comprised in the business undertaking of the Authority to the intent that the Vested Rights may be exercised by both the Authority, its successors in title, assigns, lessees and those deriving title from them and all persons authorised by any of these in respect of the whole or any part of such property whether it is comprised in the business undertaking of the Authority or the business undertaking of any successor in title or assign and for the purposes of the construction, operation and maintenance thereof.
- 3. For the purposes of section 2(2) of the Act, the specified period in relation to the land comprised in this declaration is one year and one day.
- 4. In this declaration wherever the context permits:
 - a. reference to any statute or section of any statute includes a reference to any statutory amendments, modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force and to every instrument, order, direction, regulation, bye-law, commission, licence, consent, condition, scheme or other such matter made under or pursuant to statute;
 - b. words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and words importing gender include any other gender;
 - c. references to persons include persons, firms and companies;
 - d. references to a particular Schedule are to the relevant Schedule of this declaration.
- 5. The Authority hereby requests the Chief Land Registrar:

- a. to note the benefit of any Vested Rights acquired by the Authority by this declaration in relation to a particular Plot in the Charges Registers of each owner's registered title relating to that Plot as soon as possible following the Vesting Date; or
- b. where the Plot in question is not registered land, to create a caution against such land protecting the rights granted by this declaration as soon as possible following the Vesting Date.

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FIRST SCHEDULE

(1) Term	(2) Definition
Pipeline Construction Rights	All rights necessary for the purposes of or incidental to the construction of the new gas pipeline and associated infrastructure/apparatus/equipment, including: a) to construct and install the gas pipeline and associated infrastructure/apparatus/equipment within, upon or over the land, including using trenchless techniques; b) to test and commission the pipeline and associated infrastructure/apparatus/equipment installed within, upon or over the land and to remedy initial faults and defects in it at any time prior to the date on which it is ready for commercial operation; c) to enter the land and carry out surveys and investigations, including aerial surveys (including the right to fly an unmanned aircraft over the land and to enter and retrieve and recover any such unmanned aircraft from the land); d) to carry out archaeological works, environmental and/or ecological mitigation; e) to carry out works required or permitted by a planning permission and/or consent or licences; f) to remove and replace, fell, trim or lop trees, bushes, crops and other vegetation, including the removal of hedgerows; g) to erect and remove fencing; h) to store and stockpile and where necessary use, manage and process plant, machinery, apparatus, and materials (including excavated material) and/or equipment; i) to access the land with or without vehicles, plant, machinery, apparatus, equipment, materials and personnel; j) to construct, lay down, use and remove access roads including any necessary temporary bridging, culverting or diversion of water courses and drains;

(1) Term	(2) Definition
	k) to carry out de-watering and drainage works and install, alter, reinstate or remove land drainage systems; l) to discharge water into existing drains and watercourses; m) to protect and prevent damage to or interference with the pipeline or associated infrastructure/apparatus/equipment and the construction of the same; n) to install, adjust, alter and remove cathodic protection posts, aerial markers, field boundary markers and electricity cabinets; o) to prevent any works on or use of the land that would prevent access to the pipeline and associated infrastructure/apparatus/equipment; p) to erect, create, use and remove welfare facilities including toilets, cabins and offices and electricity generators; q) to install, use and remove artificial lighting; r) to install, use, alter, divert and remove services and utilities, and rights to prevent any works on or use of the land that would prevent the exercise of the aforementioned rights.
Pipeline Rights	All rights necessary at all times for the purposes of or incidental to the retention, operation, inspection, testing, protection, maintenance, repair, renewal, alteration, upgrading, replacement, removal and decommissioning of the gas pipeline and associated infrastructure/apparatus/equipment, including: a) to retain, operate, inspect, test, maintain, repair, alter, adjust, replace, renew, re-lay, upgrade, make safe, dismantle, remove, render unusable or decommission the gas pipeline and associated infrastructure in upon or over the land; b) to take access with or without vehicles, personnel and plant, machinery, apparatus, equipment and materials for such purposes; c) to carry out de-watering and drainage works and install, keep installed, alter, reinstate or remove land drainage systems and to protect and prevent damage to or interference with the same;

(1) Term	(2) Definition
	d) to enter the land and carry out surveys and investigations, including aerial surveys (including the right to fly an unmanned aircraft over the land and to enter and retrieve and recover any such unmanned aircraft from the land); e) to protect and prevent damage to or interference with the operation and maintenance of the gas pipeline and associated infrastructure/apparatus/equipment, including preventing any works on or changes to the use or surface level of the land; preventing the planting of any trees, bushes or similar vegetation without the prior written consent of the acquiring authority and the right to remove any such tree, bush or similar vegetation planted without consent; and preventing the construction of any new building, structure or erection and the right to remove any such building, structure or erection built or erected without consent; f) of continuous vertical and lateral support for the pipeline and ancillary infrastructure/apparatus (if any); g) to adjust, alter and remove cathodic protection posts, aerial markers, field boundary markers and electricity cabinets and install replacement pipeline protection slabs; The Pipeline Rights may be acquired over such part of the Order Land plots described in Table 1 of the Schedule to the Order as being subject to the acquisition of 'Pipeline Rights' as may be necessary PROVIDED THAT the 'rights corridor' within which the Pipeline Rights shall be acquired shall not exceed 24.4 metres PROVIDED FURTHER THAT the width restriction described above shall not apply to the acquisition of the access rights and drainage rights described at paragraphs b) and c) above respectively, which rights may be acquired over such part of the Order Land plots described in Table 1 of the Schedule to the Order as being subject to the acquisition of 'Pipeline Rights' as may be necessary.

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SECOND SCHEDULE

RIGHTS TO BE ACQUIRED

(1) Plot No.	(2) Description of the Land	(3) Title Number(s)	(4) Rights (as described in the First Schedule)
Part of Plot 98	Approximately 490 square metres of adopted highway known as Evesham Road (A44) situated west of Hilton House, Evesham Road, WR12 7HU	Unregistered	Pipeline Rights
Plot 98	Approximately 1,358 square metres of adopted highway known as Evesham Road (A44) situated west of Hilton House, Evesham Road, WR12 7HU	Unregistered	Pipeline Construction Rights

The **COMMON SEAL** of
NATIONAL GAS TRANSMISSION PLC
was hereunto affixed
in the presence of:

Name: **KELLY DIXON**
Authorised Signatory
Member of the Board Sealing Committee



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PLOT: 98

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Chapel Hill

Pond

1.22m RH

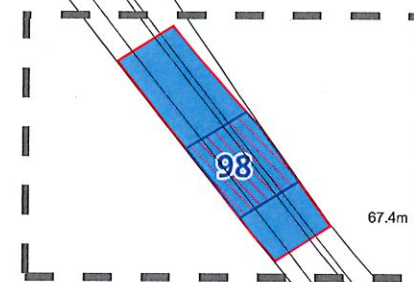
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98

67.4m

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INSET A



SEE INSET A

EVESHAM ROAD (A44)

Hilton House

Northwood

Ashleigh

Elmleigh

Tregarden

1.22m RH

National Transmission System (NTS)

OS Grid Reference: SP 0775 4006

Project: WGN Project No: LRS-143

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- Pipeline Construction Rights
- Pipeline Rights
- Plot Extent

10 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100
Metres