

Open Space Appropriation

The Transport and Works Act Order (TWAO) Application for NGT, submitted to the Secretary of State on the 19th September, currently includes compulsory purchase powers over Public Open Space (POS).

Instead of using compulsory purchase powers though the local authority can appropriate the land in question under S.122 of the Local Government Act 1972 for any authorised purpose. However, if the land is open space the local authority must advertise their intention to appropriate. Once the Council appropriates the land for NGT purposes, the compulsory acquisition powers can be withdrawn from the TWAO. The land will remain in the ownership of Leeds City Council (LCC).

There are 9 parcels of LCC land classified as POS which are required for the NGT Project:

- [Parcel 1 \(0.4mb pdf\)](#) - A small strip of land at the junction of Holtdale Approach and Otley Old Road. This land is required for the siting of overhead electrification poles.
- [Parcel 2 \(0.4mb pdf\)](#) - A small strip of land adjacent to the playing fields at Holt Park (Tinshill Recreational fields). This land is required for the siting of overhead electrification poles.
- [Parcel 3 \(0.3mb pdf\)](#) - Land required for tree planting and a substation off Otley Old Road near St. Paul's Church.
- [Parcel 4 \(0.3mb pdf\)](#) - A small strip of land in front of St Paul's Church on Otley Old Road. This land is required for the siting of overhead electrification poles.
- [Parcel 5 \(0.5mb pdf\)](#) - Land required for highway improvements, siting of overhead electrification poles and NGT running track on/around Woodhouse Moor.
- [Parcel 6 \(0.5mb pdf\)](#) - Land required for siting of overhead electrification poles on the outbound side of Woodhouse Moor.
- [Parcel 7 \(0.3mb pdf\)](#) - Land opposite Woodhouse Lane Car Park required for new access road.
- [Parcel 8 \(0.3mb pdf\)](#) - Land for new substation and tree planting off Belle Isle Road between Nursery Mount Road and the Motorway.
- [Parcel 9 \(0.3mb pdf\)](#) - NGT route through Belle Isle Circus.

The proposed timescale for appropriation is as follows:

- First advert in Yorkshire Post: 19th October 2013
- Second advert in Yorkshire Post: 26th October 2013
- Closing date for representations: 9th November 2013
- Delegated Director Decision: 8th January 2014

While the land would technically be appropriated for use for NGT on the date of the decision, it would remain usable as open space until and if Full Approval is granted for the project.

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