## LAND ASSEMBLY AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE FOR MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE 2025

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Ahead of the <u>Land Assembly and Compulsory Purchase</u> for Major Infrastructure 2025, taking place on 1 May 2025, Some of the speakers shares their advice for promoters developing their application.



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## WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU PROVIDE TO DEVELOPERS STARTING THE LAND ASSEMBLY PROCESS?

Start early and engage openly with affected parties. Clear communication and transparency build trust, reduce objections, and streamline negotiations. Ensure your referencing is robust and up to date. Understand the legal framework (DCO, CPO, Hybrid Bill) from the outset to avoid costly delays.

## HOW CAN LAND ACQUISITION BE MANAGED ALONGSIDE THE WIDER PROJECT DEVELOPMENT?

Integration is key-land acquisition should be fully aligned with project timelines, engineering design, and environmental assessments. Regular cross-discipline coordination helps avoid conflicts and ensures land is available when needed.

## WHAT ARE THE CURRENT RISKS FACING LAND ASSEMBLY? HOW CAN THESE BE NAVIGATED?

Key risks include delayed access to land, legal challenges, and opposition from stakeholders. These can be navigated through early stakeholder engagement, flexible negotiation strategies, and close collaboration with legal and planning teams. Stay agile, responsive and proactive!

Demonstrate community engagement and benefits both financial and practical.

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