

Board for Scotland, do hereby, under the provisions of subsections (2) and (3) of Section 54 of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, authorise the Council to prepare a Town Planning Scheme with reference to the Land (including land already built upon and land not likely to be used for building purposes) to which the aforesaid application relates.

AND WE Do further authorise the Council in the preparation of the Scheme as aforesaid to provide therein for the demolition or alteration of any of the buildings on the land included in the area in respect of which a scheme may be prepared as aforesaid, so far as may be necessary for carrying the Scheme into effect.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board for Scotland, this eighth day of October One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen years.

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GEORGE M'CRAE,
Vice-President.

JOHN T. MAXWELL,
Secretary.

NATIONAL INSURANCE.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE.

The National Health Insurance (Membership of Approved Societies) Order, 1913, dated the 26th day of September 1913, made under Section 78 of the National Insurance Act, 1911 (1 & 2 Geo. 5, c. 55), by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the several Bodies of Commissioners, with reference to Insured Persons who have purported to join Approved Societies to Membership of which they are by reason of residence not admissible.

Whereas by Section 78 of the National Insurance Act, 1911 (in this Order called "the Act") it is amongst other things provided that if any difficulty arises in bringing Part I. of the Act into operation, the Insurance Commissioners, with the consent of the Treasury, may by Order make any appointment and do anything which appears to them necessary or expedient for bringing Part I. of the Act into operation, and any such Order may modify the provisions of the Act so far as may appear necessary or desirable for carrying the Order into effect:

And whereas by virtue of Sections 80, 81, and 82 of the Act respectively the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners for the purpose of carrying Part I. of the Act into effect in Scotland, Ireland, and Wales respectively, have the like powers and duties as are by the Act imposed on the Insurance Commissioners:

And whereas by the National Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1912, it is amongst other things provided that the National Health Insurance Joint Committee shall exercise and perform either alone or jointly with the several bodies of Commissioners as the case may require

such of the powers and duties of those bodies under Section 78 of the Act as may be necessary to enable the Joint Committee to exercise and perform the several powers and duties of the Joint Committee under the Act and those Regulations, and that the Joint Committee may, under sub-section (2) of Section 83 of the Act make such financial adjustments as may be necessary between the several funds under the control and management of the several bodies of Commissioners:

And whereas by virtue of Section 23 of the Act the Insurance Commissioners have power to approve any society for the purposes of Part I. of the Act, and by the National Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1912, it is provided that the National Health Insurance Joint Committee alone shall exercise the power of approving for the purposes aforesaid any society and any separate section of a society which has among its members insured persons resident in more than one part of the United Kingdom:

And whereas under the above-mentioned provisions of the Act and the said Regulations a society is not entitled to accept as a member for the purposes of Part I. of the Act an insured person who is resident in some part of the United Kingdom other than that for which it has been approved:

And whereas both before and immediately after the commencement of the Act many insured persons owing to a misapprehension of the provisions of the Act and the said Regulations purported to become members of societies which had not been approved for that part of the United Kingdom in which such insured persons were then respectively resident:

And whereas it is apprehended that the admission of any such person as aforesaid to membership in the society was wholly inoperative, and that after the prescribed time for joining an approved society had elapsed such person became a deposit contributor, and that any sums paid by the society in respect of his benefits or the administration of his benefits were improperly paid:

And whereas it is inequitable that in the circumstances aforesaid such person should be deprived of the advantage of joining an approved society within the prescribed time, and by reason of the premises a difficulty has arisen within the meaning of Section 78 aforesaid:

Now, therefore, the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Act and by the National Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1912, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, with the consent of the Treasury, hereby order as follows:—

1. Where owing to a misapprehension of the provisions of the Act and of the said recited Regulations, or otherwise, an insured person has at any time before the date of this Order purported to become a member, for the purposes of Part I. of the Act, of a society which was not approved for that part of the United Kingdom in which he was then resident, and he has not before the date aforesaid received notice either from the society or from the Insurance Commissioners for that part of the United Kingdom