

"The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861 Amendment Act" (to be confirmed by Parliament in the ensuing Session), for the following, or some of the following purposes (that is to say):—

1. To authorise the Local Board to re-construct on the present site, and enlarge, extend and maintain the Sun Pier in the said district, commencing in the parish of Chatham, at the point of commencement of the said Pier and terminating in the River Medway, at a point about 200 feet north-west of the solid portion of the existing Pier, with all necessary walls, piles, pier head, floating barges, or dummies, approaches, toll houses, toll gates, waiting rooms, buildings, and conveniences convenient or necessary for the embarking and landing of passengers, animals, goods, merchandise, materials, and things.

2. To authorise the Local Board to deviate in the construction of the Pier from the lines and levels shown on the deposited plans and sections to any extent defined in the Order.

3. To enable the Local Board to acquire and hold lands for the purposes of the Order.

4. To enable the Local Board, from time to time, or at any time, to set apart and appropriate for special user and purpose, any part of the pier or any buildings erected thereon, and to charge special rates for admission thereto, and to let or lease the whole or any part of the same respectively upon such terms and conditions, and subject to such restrictions as to user or otherwise, as they think fit.

5. To alter the tolls, rates, and charges now leviable for the use of the pier, and to levy new and additional tolls, rates, and charges, and confer exemptions therefrom.

6. To enable the Local Board to lease all or any of the tolls leviable in respect of the pier or any part thereof.

7. To provide for the cognisance of offences committed on the pier.

8. To enable the Local Board, from time to time, to make bye-laws for regulating the user of the pier or any part thereof, or any buildings thereon, and for the protection of the same and the property therein, and for ensuring the safety and comfort of persons frequenting the same.

9. To repeal Section 3 of "The Chatham Sun Pier Order, 1863," and to vest the pier in the Local Board as part of their estate as an Urban Sanitary Authority, and to authorise them to apply their rates to and for the purposes of the construction and maintenance of the said pier.

10. To empower the Local Board to borrow and re-borrow money for the purposes of the order on the security of the tolls, rates, and charges and other the revenue arising from the pier and the general district rates leviable by them, and to provide for the repayment of borrowed moneys.

11. The Order will vary and extinguish all rights and privileges which will or may interfere with its objects, and confer other rights and privileges, and will incorporate with itself such provisions as may be deemed necessary of "The Harbours, Docks, and Piers Clauses Act, 1847," "The Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts, 1845, 1860, and 1869," and will repeal, alter, and amend or re-enact such of the provisions as may be thought necessary of "The Chatham Sun Pier Order, 1863," and of the Act 26 and 27 Vict. cap. 104, so far as it relates to that Order or the Local Board, and any other Act relating to the Local Board.

On or before the 30th day of November instant, duplicate plans and sections of the proposed works, and a copy of this Notice will be deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the county of Kent, at his office at Maidstone; at the Custom

House, Rochester; and at the office of the Board of Trade, Whitehall-gardens, London.

On or before the 22nd day of December next, printed copies of the proposed Provisional Order will be furnished, at the price of one shilling each, to all persons applying for the same at the offices of the undersigned.

Dated this 15th day of November, 1883.

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Great Western Railway Company and Bristol and Portishead Pier and Railway Company.

(Transfer or Vesting of the Pier and Railway Undertaking of the Bristol and Portishead Pier and Railway Company in the Great Western Railway Company and other Powers; also as to the Consideration therefor and Division and Apportionment thereof; Tolls; Provisions as to Termination of Existing Agreements between the Companies; as to the Dissolution of the Portishead Company, and as to the Maintenance and Working of the Portishead Docks; Amendment of Acts.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing session for an Act for all or some of the following purposes, that is to say:—

To empower the Bristol and Portishead Pier and Railway Company (hereinafter called "the Portishead Company") on the one hand, and the Great Western Railway Company (hereinafter called "the Great Western Company") on the other hand, to enter into and carry into effect contracts, agreements, and arrangements with respect to the purchase, sale, or transfer, and vesting of the pier and railway undertaking of the Portishead Company, and all the works, powers, rights, and interests connected therewith, by, to, or in the Great Western Company, and to provide for the ownership, use, enjoyment, or management by the Great Western Company of the undertaking so purchased, sold, or transferred, and vested by, to, or in the Great Western Company, subject to such terms and conditions as have been or may be agreed upon between the Portishead Company and the Great Western Company, or as may be prescribed by the intended Act, and to confirm any contracts, agreements, and arrangements already made or to be made between the Portishead Company and the Great Western Company for effecting the purposes aforesaid, or any of them.

To provide for the vesting of the pier and railway undertaking of the Portishead Company in the Great Western Company, and to confer upon the Great Western Company all necessary powers and authorities for holding, maintaining, and managing the pier and railway undertaking of the Portishead Company, and to enable the Great Western Company to apply for the purposes of the intended Act such portion of their corporate funds as they shall think expedient, and to raise for such purposes, and for the general purposes of their undertaking, additional capital, by the creation of shares or stock, with or without a preference or priority in payment of dividends, and by the creation and issue of debenture stock, and by borrowing, or either of such means.

To provide for the payment to the Portishead Company of such sum or sums of money, or such annual rent charge, or for the transfer to that