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THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS  
ACT, 1882.

THE following Scheme for the adjustment of the property, rights, liabilities &c. of the Vestry of the parish of Richmond and for other purposes, as settled by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, is published in pursuance of the Municipal Corporations Act :—

" WHEREAS, by the Municipal Corporations Acts, 1882 and 1885, it is enacted that where a Petition for a Charter of Incorporation is referred to the Committee of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council (in the said Acts and in this Scheme referred to as 'the Committee of Council'), and it is proposed by the Charter to extend the Municipal Corporations Acts to the Municipal Borough to be created by the Charter, the Committee of Council may settle a scheme for the purposes in the said Acts named, and containing such provisions as are in the said Acts particularized :

" And whereas certain inhabitant householders of the parish of Richmond, in the county of Surrey, have petitioned Her Majesty the Queen, praying for a grant of a Charter of Incorporation :

" And whereas the said petition for a Charter has been referred to the Committee of Council, and it is proposed to create the said parish a municipal borough by the name of the borough of Richmond (Surrey), and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, and by the Charter to extend the Municipal Corporations Acts to the Municipal Borough to be created by the Charter :

" And whereas the vestry of the said parish of Richmond (hereinafter called the vestry) was constituted by and by virtue of an Act of Parliament made and passed in and at the second session of the sixteenth Parliament of Great Britain to wit at the Parliament begun and holden at Westminster the eighteenth day of May, A.D. one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four and from thence continued by several prorogations to the twenty-fifth day of January A.D. one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five such Act being intituled 'An Act to repeal part of an Act passed in the sixth year of His present Majesty for the relief and employment of the poor of the parish of Richmond, in the county of Surrey, and other purposes in the said Act mentioned; and for making new provisions for the relief and employment of the poor, for the repairs of the highways, the paving, cleansing, lighting and watching the streets and other places in the town and parish of Richmond aforesaid; for the removal and prevention of annoyances, obstructions, and encroachments therein; for enclosing certain common or waste lands within the said parish for the use of the poor; and to enable the vestrymen of the said parish to erect a workhouse thereon; and to purchase land for a burial ground; and also to enable His Majesty to shut up a lane within the said parish called Love-lane' (hereinafter called the Richmond Local Act 1784), and such vestry is the Sanitary Authority for the Urban Sanitary District of the said parish, and is a Local Authority within the meaning of Part XI. of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882 :

" And whereas under and by virtue of the Richmond Local Act 1784, the vestry among other things appoint the churchwardens and sidesmen and other officers of the parish of Richmond; make lists of persons from which the overseers of the said parish are nominated and appointed, make and collect rates for the relief of

the poor and repairs of the highways, and hold the lands granted to them under the authority of the said Act :

" And whereas under and by virtue of an Act of the twelfth and thirteenth years of the reign of Her Majesty chapter forty-two intituled 'An Act for making the parish of Richmond in the county of Surrey a distinct vicarage by dividing the vicarage of Kingston-upon-Thames and Sheen otherwise Richmond into two separate vicarages and for providing a stipend and residence for the vicar of Richmond aforesaid, and for extinguishing the vicarial tithes in the parish of Richmond, and for other purposes relating to such vicarages' (hereinafter called the Richmond Vicarage Act 1849), the vestry have power to fix, receive and recover the rents in respect of pews in the parish church of Richmond aforesaid, and, by a Treasurer appointed by them, receive the fees in respect of all graves, vaults, monuments and burials in the church, churchyard or burial ground, of the said parish (except such fees as are payable to the burial board of the parish) and for all tablets affixed to the walls of the said church churchyard or burial ground (except as aforesaid) and are required to apply such rents and fees in making certain payments to the officials of the said church as in the said Act mentioned, and providing the necessary requirements of the said church and an annual stipend to the vicar of the parish in manner in the said Act specified :

" And whereas under and by virtue of certain indentures of lease and release bearing date the twenty-first and twenty-second days of October, one thousand six hundred and sixty-one, (hereinafter called 'the indenture of October 1661,') made between George Bate Doctor in Physic, and Elizabeth his Wife of the first part, the Right Reverend Brian, Bishop of Winchester, of the second part, Richard Chatworth and William Turner, Doctors-in-Law of the third part, and William Bolton, Alderman of London, and seven other persons parishioners of the said parish of Richmond of the fourth part, the vicar of Richmond and the rest of the vestry have power to elect inmates of the Almshouses known as Bishop Duppa's Almshouses :

" And whereas under and by virtue of a certain Order made by the Board of Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, and bearing date the fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, (hereinafter called 'Hickey's Charity Order 1884,') the vestry are authorized and required from time to time to appoint two representative Trustees of the Charity known as Hickey's Charity at Richmond :

" And whereas under and by virtue of the Richmond Gas Act, 1867, and the Richmond Gas Act, 1881, the vestry are authorized to maintain a place and apparatus for the testing of gas, and to test the gas supplied in the parish by the Richmond Gas Company, and have certain other powers or duties :

" And whereas under and by virtue of the West Metropolitan Tramways Act, 1882, the vestry have certain rights, powers, and privileges in respect of the tramways laid or to be laid in the road known as the Kew-road in the said parish of Richmond, by the West Metropolitan Tramways Company Limited :

" And whereas by the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1887, the vestry are a Constituent Authority of the Richmond Main Sewerage Board, and the Chairman of the vestry is *ex-officio* a Member of such Board, and the vestry are authorized to elect and have elected five other vestrymen to be