

vary and extinguish all rights and privileges which would interfere with any of its objects, and confer other rights and privileges.

Printed copies of the proposed Bill will be deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons on or before the 21st day of December next.

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Handsworth Electric Supply.

(The Production, Storage, and Supply of Electricity by the Urban District Council of Handsworth, within the Urban District of Handsworth, in the County of Stafford; the Acquisition and Appropriation of Lands and Construction of Works; the Breaking Up and Interference with Streets, Railways and Tramways; the Laying-down and Erection of Electric Lines, Pipes, Wires and Apparatus; the Taking and Recovery of Rates and Charges; the Entry into Houses and Lands; the Making of Contracts; the Transfer of the Undertaking; the Borrowing of Money and other matters.)

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Urban District Council of Handsworth (who are hereinafter called the Council, and whose address is the Council House, Handsworth, Staffordshire) intend to apply to the Board of Trade, on or before the 21st day of December next, for a Provisional Order (hereinafter called the Order) under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, for all or some of the following amongst other purposes (that is to say):—

1. To authorise the Council to produce, store, supply, sell and distribute electricity for public and private purposes as defined by the said Acts, within the urban district of Handsworth, in the county of Stafford (hereinafter called the area of supply).

2. To enable the Council to purchase, take on lease and hold lands, or interests or easements in or over lands, or to appropriate for the purposes of the Order any lands belonging to or held by them, and to erect, maintain, work and use upon such lands all necessary or proper engines, dynamos, batteries, machinery, apparatus, works, buildings and appliances for generating, producing, storing, supplying and distributing electricity or for other the purposes of the Undertaking, and to empower the Council to sell or dispose of any lands not required for the purposes of the Undertaking.

3. To authorise the Council to open, break up and interfere with all streets, roads, public places, ways, footpaths, railways, bridges, culverts, sewers, drains, gas and water mains and pipes and telegraph and telephone and other wires within the area of supply, and to lay down, erect, maintain, renew and remove either above or under ground or otherwise, electric lines, conductors, mains, pipes, tubes, wires, posts, and street or distributing boxes, meters, apparatus and other works or things required for the purpose of enabling the Council to supply, produce, store, convey, transmit or distribute electricity within the area of supply, and to confer all such other powers upon the Council as may be necessary for effecting the objects of the proposed Undertaking.

4. To authorise the Council to manufacture, purchase, hire, sell and let meters, lamps, accumulators, dynamos, fittings, plant, machinery and other matters or things required for the

purposes of the Order, and to acquire, work and use patent rights for the producing, storing, controlling, distributing, measuring and using or otherwise relating to the supply of electricity.

5. To authorise the Council to take, collect and recover rates, rents and charges for the supply of electricity, and the use of any machines, lamps, meters, fittings or apparatus connected therewith.

6. To make provision for the inspection and testing of mains, conductors and works, for the appointment and remuneration of electric inspectors, and for the supply, use, inspection, testing and certifying of meters, fittings and instruments.

7. To authorise the Council to enter upon any houses, buildings or lands supplied or proposed to be supplied with electricity for any purposes relating to such supply.

8. To authorise the Council to enter into contracts with companies or persons for the execution and maintenance of works and the supply of electricity, and to relieve the Council from the consequences of any acts or defaults of any such contractors, and to empower the Council to transfer to companies or persons all or some of their powers, duties, liabilities and works for such period and upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon.

9. To confer upon the Council all or some of the powers of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888, and enactments incorporated therewith, and to alter, vary or extinguish all rights and privileges which would or might interfere with any of the objects of the Order, and to confer all other rights and privileges necessary for carrying such objects into effect.

10. To empower the Council to borrow money for all or any of the purposes of the Order, and to charge the moneys so borrowed and interest upon the district fund and general district rate of the district, and to empower the Council to apply any of their funds to any of the purposes of the Order, and to provide for the disposal or application of the revenue arising from the Undertaking.

11. To incorporate with the Order section 265 of the Public Health Act, 1875 (relating to the protection of local authorities and their officers from personal liability), and to extend that section to matters arising under the Order.

The names of the streets in which it is proposed that electric lines shall be laid down within a specified time are as follow:—

Soho-hill, Soho-road, Holyhead-road (from Booth-street to Wattville-street), Queen's Head-road, Villa-road, Heathfield-road, Trinity-road, Hamstead-road (from Soho-hill to the main entrance to the Victoria-park) and Birchfield-road (from Trinity-road to the Perry Barr Railway Station).

The following are the streets not repairable by a local authority, railways, and tramways which the Council propose to take powers to break up, viz:—

Albert-street, Alfred-road, Albion-road, Alexandra-road, Anne-street, Archibald-road, Arden-road, Baker-street, Brearley-street, Brewery-street, Brunswick-road, Butler's-road, Chapel-street, Charleville-road, Clarence-avenue, Clarence-road, Claremont-road, Crompton-road (between Putney-road and Hutton-road), Cross-street, Dunsink-road, Elmhurst-road, Endwood Court-road, Emscote-road, Florence-road, Franchise-street, Freer-road, George-street, Green-lane, Grosvenor-avenue, Grove-hill-road, Havelock-road, Headingley-road, Holdford-road, Howard-road, Hutton-road, Ivy-road, James-street, John-road, Johnstone-street, Junction-road, Laurel-road, Lime-grove,