

All liabilities which immediately before the commencement of this Scheme attached to and were enforceable against the District Council or the property thereof, shall attach to and be enforceable against the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Smethwick.

Any investigations, legal proceedings or remedy in respect of any debt, liability, penalty or forfeiture due to or incurred by or on behalf of the District Council before the commencement of this Scheme, may be continued, prosecuted or enforced by or against the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Smethwick.

The District Fund and the General District Rate of the borough of Smethwick shall take the place of and be substituted for the District Fund and General District Rate respectively of the District Council and all sums of money respectively payable to, from or out of and all liabilities charged upon or attaching to the District Fund or General District Rate of the Urban District shall be paid to, from or out of and shall be charged upon the said District Fund and General District Rate of the said borough respectively.

With respect to the hereinbefore recited Acts and the Orders of the Local Government Board relating respectively to the Gas Undertaking of the District Council and to the Birmingham, Tame and Rea Main Sewerage District and to any matters and things to be done thereunder the following provisions shall have effect:—

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Smethwick acting by the Council shall be substituted for the District Council and all the rights, property, powers, authorities, privileges, duties and liabilities vested in, devolving upon or exercisable by the District Council shall be transferred to vested in devolve upon and be exercisable by and shall be enforceable against the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses.

No act done or purporting to be done under the authority of such Acts or Orders between the commencement of this Scheme and its confirmation by Parliament or by Order in Council (as the case may be) shall be invalidated by this Scheme but such act shall be and continue to be valid if the same would have been valid but for the operation of this Scheme.

All the rights, interests, powers, property, obligations and liabilities whatsoever of the District Council acting as the Urban Sanitary Authority of the district of Smethwick by virtue of the following Acts, namely, "The Public Health Act, 1875," "The Infectious Disease (Notification) Act, 1889," "The Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act, 1890," "The Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890," and any Act amending or extending the same, the Sanitary Acts as defined by "The Public Health Act, 1875," "The Private Street Works Act, 1892," the Public Libraries Acts, 1892 and 1893, and any local or general Act for purposes the same or similar to those of the aforesaid Acts shall be transferred to, vested in, devolve upon and be exercisable by and shall be enforceable against the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Smethwick.

The Town Clerk of the borough of Smethwick shall be substituted for and perform the duties of the Clerk to the District Council.

Bye-Laws.

The bye-laws and regulations and lists of fees and charges made under the authority of any of the said Acts and now in force in the district of Smethwick shall until the same be repealed or

altered continue in force and be enforced within the borough.

The bye-laws for the good rule and government of the administrative county of Stafford, so far as they are now in force in the district of Smethwick, shall continue in force and be enforced within the borough of Smethwick, until the same are repealed or varied as respects the said borough.

Burial Board.

With respect to the Burial Board the following provisions shall have effect:—

From and after the commencement of this Scheme the Burial Board shall be dissolved and cease to exist.

The Council of the borough of Smethwick shall be substituted for the said Burial Board and all the rights, property, powers, authorities, duties and liabilities vested in, devolving upon or exercisable by the said Board shall be transferred to, vested in, devolve upon and be exercisable by and shall be enforceable against the said Council of the borough and the Council shall be the Burial Board for and within the said borough.

The clerk, officers and servants of the Burial Board shall become the clerk, officers and servants respectively of the Council of the Borough acting as the Burial Board of the said Borough.

The borough rate shall for all Burial Board purposes be substituted for the poor rate of the parish of Smethwick and all sums of money respectively payable to, from, or out of and all liabilities charged upon or attaching to the said poor rate in respect of things done by the said Council as a Burial Board shall be paid to, from, or out of and shall be charged upon and attach to the borough rate.

All regulations as to fees, charges and payments made by the Burial Board and in force at the commencement of this Scheme shall continue in force until the same are repealed or varied in manner provided by law

School Board.

The Smethwick School Board shall be the School Board for the Borough of Smethwick by the name of the Smethwick Borough School Board in all respects to the same extent and in the same manner as if at the time of the formation of the Smethwick School Board by the Education Department the Borough of Smethwick had been a Municipal Borough. Everything in connexion with the said Board shall be done, had and construed accordingly.

All the rights, interests, powers, property, obligations, liabilities and assets attaching to and vested in the Smethwick School Board immediately before the commencement of this Scheme, including those contained and comprised in the Order of 1891 and the confirming Act of 1891 and in the before recited agreement of the second September, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, shall be and continue attached to and vested in the Smethwick Borough School Board and all charges charged on the School Fund and in respect of liabilities of the Smethwick School Board on the Poor Rate of the parish of Smethwick immediately before the commencement of this Scheme shall respectively be charged upon the School Fund of the Smethwick Borough School Board and upon the Borough Rate or fund of the said Borough and not otherwise.

Any bye-laws made by the Smethwick School Board under the Acts relating to public elementary education and in force at the date of this Scheme shall continue in force and apply to the Smethwick Borough School District.