

18. To authorize the Folkestone Company and the Hythe Company to enter into and carry into effect agreements and arrangements for or with respect to all or any of the matters aforesaid, and to confirm any such agreements or arrangements which may have been entered into or may be entered into before the passing of the intended Act.

19. To make provisions with respect to the price to be charged for gas supplied by the Folkestone Company within the extended limits of supply or any part or parts thereof, whether for public lighting or private lighting, or any other purpose, and to increase or reduce existing prices for gas which may now be charged by the Folkestone Company or the Hythe Company and existing standard price of the Hythe Company, and to authorize the charging at different rates or prices for gas supplied in different parts of the said limits of supply, and for such purpose to alter or repeal any of the provisions of the Acts or Orders relating to the Folkestone Company or the Hythe Company.

20. To make new and further provisions with reference to the testing quality, purity and pressure of gas supplied by the Folkestone Company in the extended limits of supply, and the instruments to be used for such testing; to relieve the Company from all obligations relating to the maintenance of a standard of illuminating power for the gas supplied by them and from all restrictions upon and obligations as to the amount of sulphur or sulphur compounds in such gas, and from liability to penalties or forfeitures by reason of the insufficiency or otherwise of the illuminating power, quality or purity of the gas supplied by them, or of the presence in such gas of sulphur or sulphur compounds, and in the case of circumstances beyond the control of the Company, and if thought fit, to prescribe a standard of calorific value for the gas supplied by the Company, and to alter and repeal all or any of the provisions of the Acts or Orders of the Folkestone Company or the Hythe Company relating to any of the above matters.

21. To make further provisions in regard to all or some of the following matters (that is to say):—

The supply of gas by means of prepayment meters and charges therefor, and for any fittings used therewith, the period of error in defective meters, notice of discontinuance of supply of gas, requiring gas consumers to give notice to the Folkestone Company before removing, the laying of pipes in streets not dedicated to public use, the size and material of pipes to be used by consumers, the use of anti-fluctuators for gas engines, the entry on consumers' premises, cutting off supplies, exemption from distress of fittings, &c., removal of meters, fittings, &c., cost of reconnecting discontinued supplies, authentication and service of notices by the Company, to enable the Company to require any person who has a private installation of gas for power or other purposes to pay a minimum charge for gas supplied by the Company and to impose other terms and conditions in connection with such supply; to prescribe a minimum charge for gas laid on to premises having a supply of electricity; for exempting the Company in certain cases from penalties for failure to comply with certain enactments, to enable

the Company to refuse to supply gas in certain circumstances, and to make other provisions in regard to the supply and consumption of gas and the payment and recovery of gas and meter rents and charges, penalties and demands; to enable the Company to purchase, erect or take on lease, and fit up and maintain dwelling houses for persons in their employ, and for the purposes of their undertaking. To reduce the rate of interest payable by the Folkestone Company upon monies deposited with them or the Hythe Company by way of security. To enable the Company to lay down, repair, take up, alter, relay and renew mains, pipes and culverts within the extended limits of supply for the purpose of procuring, conducting or disposing of any oil and other materials and residual products, or for any purpose connected with their business, and to apply to such purposes the provisions or some of the provisions of the Gasworks Clauses Act, 1847, with respect to the breaking up of streets and other matters, and to confer upon the Company the same powers of laying down and maintaining pipes and apparatus in roads and streets not dedicated to the public as are conferred by the Gasworks Clauses Act in respect to public streets and roads. To make further provision for and with respect to the remuneration, qualification, candidature for office, election rotation, retirement, quorum and powers of the directors, auditors and secretary of the Company.

22. To consolidate or convert or provide for the consolidation or conversion of all or any of the shares or stock in the existing capital of the Folkestone Company into one or more class or classes of shares or stock of such nominal amount or amounts and entitling the holders thereof to such fixed or varying dividend or dividends as the Bill may define, and if and so far as may be necessary to provide for the redemption or extinction of any existing shares or stock of the Company, including un-issued stock, to make all necessary provision for giving effect to such consolidation or conversion and for enabling the same to be carried out and to increase, alter, define and regulate the capital of the Company and the rights of the holders thereof.

23. To make new and further provision with reference to the dividends payable by the Folkestone Company after the amalgamation on all or any of their existing or consolidated or converted or new shares or stock, and the increase or decrease of such dividends on the whole or any class or classes of such shares or stock upon the system known as the sliding scale, either with or without a neutral zone, and to repeal or alter any existing limitations on the amount of any dividends payable by the Folkestone Company or the Hythe Company on their existing or authorised shares, stock or other securities.

24. To empower the Folkestone Company out of the revenues of the Company to form and create (1) a special purposes fund and also (2) a benefit fund and a superannuation fund for the officers and servants of the Company and to provide for the application of such funds and to grant pensions and retiring or superannuation allowances and gratuities to officers and servants of the Company, and to enter into contracts with insurance companies and others