

sidue of this Order shall not come into operation until the 16th day of April, 1866. The whole of this Order shall remain in force from the time of its coming into operation until it is revoked or altered.

2. This Order shall apply to England and Wales only.

PART I.

Definitions.

3. In the construction of this Order the following terms shall have the meanings herein-after assigned to them; that is to say,

"Person" shall include a Body of Persons, corporate or unincorporate:

"Cattle" shall mean bull, bullock, cow, ox, heifer, or calf:

"Animal" shall mean cattle as above defined, sheep, lambs, goats, and swine:

"Disease" shall mean the cattle plague:

"Diseased" shall mean affected by the cattle plague:

"England" shall include Wales:

"Privy Council" shall mean the Lords and others of Her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, or any two of them:

"Borough" shall mean any place for the time being subject to an Act passed in the session holden in the fifth and sixth years of the reign of King William the Fourth, chapter seventy-six, intituled "An Act to provide for the regulation of Municipal Corporations in England and Wales:"

"County" shall not include a county of a city or county of a town, but shall include any riding, division, or parts of a county having a separate Commission of the Peace:

The Liberty of St. Alban's, and the Liberty of the Isle of Ely, and the Soke of Peterborough, shall respectively be deemed to be separate counties, but all other liberties and franchises of counties shall be considered as forming part of the county by which they are surrounded, or if partly surrounded by two or more counties, then as forming part of that county with which they have the longest common boundary:

"The Metropolis" shall include all parishes and places in which the Metropolitan Board of Works have power to levy a main drainage rate, exclusive of the City of London and the Liberties thereof.

Every place that is not, according to the foregoing definitions, a borough, a county, or a part of the metropolis, or is not separately mentioned in the first schedule hereunto annexed, shall be deemed to form part of the county, as herein-before defined, to the county rate of which it is assessed, or, if not so assessed, of the county within which it is situate.

Local Authority.

4. For the purposes of this Order, "District," "Local Authority," "Local Rate," and "Clerk of Local Authority" shall respectively mean the places, bodies of persons, rate, and officer in the first schedule hereto annexed in that behalf mentioned.

5. Any Local Authority may from time to time form one or more Committee or Committees consisting wholly of its own members, or partly of its own members and partly of such other persons, being rated occupiers in the district and qualified in such other manner as the Local Authority may determine, and may delegate, with or without

conditions or restrictions, to any Committee so formed, all or any powers conferred on the Local Authority by this Order, and may from time to time revoke, add to, or alter any powers so given to a Committee.

A Committee may elect a chairman of its meetings. If no chairman is elected, or if the chairman elected is not present at the time appointed for holding a meeting, the members present shall choose one of their number to be chairman of such meeting. A Committee may meet and adjourn as it thinks proper. The quorum of a Committee shall consist of such number of members as may be prescribed by the Local Authority that appointed it, or, if no number be prescribed, of three members. Every question at a meeting shall be determined by a majority of votes of the members present, and voting on that question; and in case of an equal division of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

The proceedings of a Committee shall not be invalidated by any vacancy or vacancies amongst its members, or, in case of a Committee appointed by the General or Quarter Sessions of a county, by the termination of the Sessions by which it was appointed.

A Local Authority may from time to time add to or diminish the number of the members or otherwise alter the constitution of any Committee formed by it under this Order, and may dissolve any such Committee.

Any Committee formed under the provisions of the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act, 1866, shall be deemed to be a committee of a Local Authority for the purposes of this Order, within the district of such Local Authority as defined by this Order.

6. The Local Authority of any borough which is assessed to the county rate of any county may, with the consent of the Local Authority of such county, such consent being testified in writing, by a letter signed by the clerk of such last-mentioned authority, declare, by notice published in any newspaper circulating within such county, that such borough is annexed to such county for the purposes of this Order, and from the date of the publication of such notice such borough shall, for the purposes of this Order, form part of the district of the Local Authority of such county.

7. Every Local Authority shall perform all such duties as are imposed upon it by this Order, and shall make such reports to the Privy Council as the Council may from time to time require.

Appointment of Officers, &c.

8. Every Local Authority shall from time to time appoint such inspectors or other officers as it thinks necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Order within its district; it shall assign them such duties and award them such salaries and allowances as it thinks expedient, and may revoke any appointment so made.

9. Every inspector or other officer appointed by a Local Authority previously to the date of this Order, for any purpose relating to the cattle plague, and holding office at such date, shall be deemed an inspector or officer for the purposes of this Order within the district of such Local Authority as defined by this Order, and be subject to the provisions thereof, in the same manner as if he had been appointed thereunder.

10. Every inspector shall furnish the Privy Council with such information in regard to the