

benefit of the said townships of Birkenhead and Claughton-cum-Grange as if (as nearly as may be) the Council had been named or referred to in such Acts or Order instead of the Commissioners.

5. The cemetery property of the Commissioners (which expression in this scheme includes the cemetery lands and property described in the third schedule hereto) and the revenue thereof shall be held and administered and the powers, rights, and duties of the Commissioners relating to that property and revenue shall be exercised and performed by the Council for the benefit of the said townships of Birkenhead and Claughton-cum-Grange as if (as nearly as may be) the Council had been named instead of the Commissioners in the Improvement Acts, and in the Order in Council which constituted the Commissioners a Burial Board.

6. The markets, market places, and slaughter-houses and other property described in the fourth schedule hereto, and the rents, tolls, and other revenue thereof shall be held and administered, and the powers, rights, and duties of the Commissioners relating thereto under the Improvement Acts or any other Act of Parliament shall be exercised and performed by the Council for the benefit of the said townships of Birkenhead and Claughton-cum-Grange as if (as nearly as may be) the Council had been named or referred to in such Acts instead of the Commissioners.

7. The library and other property described in the fifth schedule hereto shall be held and administered by the Council for the benefit of the whole borough; and the sum of three thousand pounds owing at the date of the commencement of this scheme in respect of moneys borrowed by the Commissioners for the purpose of erecting and furnishing such library with all interest due or accruing thereon shall be charged on and paid by the Council out of such rate as the expenses of carrying the Public Libraries Act, 1855, into execution in any municipal borough are by the Public Libraries Amendment Act (England and Scotland), 1866, directed to be paid; and the yearly rent of twenty-seven pounds ten shillings formerly paid by the Library Committee of the Commissioners for the site of the said library, shall be paid as part of the expenses aforesaid, and shall be applied in or towards the discharge of any debts or liabilities of the Commissioners transferred to the Council by the Public Health Act, 1875, or by this scheme.

8. The lands described in the sixth schedule hereto shall be vested in and may be disposed of (subject to the provisions of the Improvement Acts) by the Council, and the rents and profits thereof, and any moneys arising from any sale, mortgage, or other disposition of the same shall be applied and administered by the Council for the benefit of the said townships of Birkenhead and Claughton-cum-Grange as if (as nearly as may be) the Council had been named in the Improvement Acts instead of the Commissioners.

9. The park described in Part I. of the seventh schedule hereto, and the police court, lock-ups, and other property described in Part II. of the same schedule shall be vested in and shall be maintained and managed by the Council, and all powers, rights, and duties relating thereto respectively under the Improvement Acts or any general Act of Parliament shall be exercised and performed by the Council for the benefit of the whole borough. All expenses incurred by the Council in the maintenance and management of the said park, and in the execution of their powers and duties in relation thereto shall be

defrayed by the Council out of the general district rates of the Borough, and all expenses incurred by the Council in the maintenance and management of the said police court, lock-ups, and other property, and in the execution of their powers and duties in relation thereto shall be defrayed by the Council out of the borough fund and rate. The Police Superannuation Fund (established under the Police Act, 1859) of the Borough, shall be, or continue to be, maintained and managed for the benefit of the police force of the whole Borough, under and subject to the provisions of the Police Act, 1859, the Police Superannuation Act, 1865, and any Act amending the same, or otherwise relating to the establishment, maintenance, or management of such fund.

10. Subject as hereinbefore mentioned, the debts and liabilities by this scheme transferred to the Council from the Commissioners, and the expenses incurred by the Council in the execution of the powers and duties by this scheme transferred to them from the Commissioners, shall be discharged and paid out of revenue or rates arising or levied within the said townships of Birkenhead and Claughton-cum-Grange in like manner as such debts, liabilities, and expenses would have been discharged and paid if this scheme had not been made and confirmed.

11. All the property of the Oxton Local Board and of the Tranmere Local Board which by the operation of the Public Health Act, 1875, has been transferred to the Council, and the rents, profits, and revenue thereof shall be held and administered or disposed of by the Council for the benefit of the areas within the borough coincident with the former districts of the Oxton Local Board and the Tranmere Local Board respectively, and all the debts and liabilities of the said Local Boards so transferred shall be discharged and satisfied by the Council out of revenue or general district rates arising or levied within the respective areas aforesaid, or out of moneys borrowed in manner hereinafter provided; and all contracts entered into by the said Local Boards, and pending at the date of the commencement of this scheme shall be carried into effect by the Council for the benefit of the respective areas aforesaid, and the expenses thereof shall be paid by the Council out of revenue or general district rates arising or levied within those respective areas or out of moneys borrowed in manner hereinafter provided. The estimates for the general district rate shall from time to time include all sums required to be raised by means of such rate within those respective areas for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of this section, and all such sums shall be raised accordingly. Provided with respect to a contract dated the 31st day of October, 1877, and made between Matilda Orred, of Number 34, Rutland Gate, in the county of Middlesex, Widow, John Orred, of Ashwicke, in the county of Gloucester, Esquire, Frederick North, of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, Gentleman, and John Cavendish Orred, of Maidwell Hall, in the county of Northampton, late a Major in Her Majesty's 12th Royal Lancers (trustees and executors named in the last will and testament, with the four codicils thereto, of George Orred, late of Weston and Runcorn, and Lord of the Manor of Tranmere, Esquire, deceased), of the one part, and the Tranmere Local Board, of the other part, for the purchase of certain lands by the Tranmere Local Board for the purpose of a public park or recreation ground, that the expenses of purchasing, forming, laying out, and planting such park or recreation ground shall be paid by the Council out of revenue or general