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**N**OTICE is hereby given, that the Draft of a Scheme for the adjustment of the powers, rights, privileges, franchises, duties, property, and liabilities of the existing Corporation of Woodstock, and for other purposes, has been received by the Lords of the Council, and the same is hereby published in pursuance of the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882:

Municipal Corporations Act, 1882.

Draft Scheme for the Borough of Woodstock.

"WHEREAS by the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, it is enacted that where a petition for a charter of incorporation is referred to the Committee of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council and it is proposed by the charter to extend the Municipal Corporations Acts to the municipal borough to be created by the charter, the said Committee of Council may settle a scheme for the purposes in the said Act named, and containing such provisions as are in the said Act particularised:

"And whereas certain inhabitant householders of the parish of Woodstock have petitioned Her Majesty the Queen praying for the grant of a charter of incorporation:

"And whereas the said petition for a charter has been referred to the Committee of Council, and it is proposed to create the said parish with the exception of a small piece of land containing about one acre situate in Blenheim Park with adjoining parts of the parish of Wootton, and the hamlet of Hensington, a municipal borough and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, and by the charter to extend the Municipal Corporation Acts to the municipal borough to be created by the charter:

"And whereas Woodstock is a place named in the schedule to the Municipal Corporations Act, 1883, and the area of the said place is not co-extensive with the area of the municipal borough proposed to be created by the said charter:

"And whereas by the Municipal Corporations Act, 1883, it is enacted that nothing in that Act shall prevent the application to any place of any charter applying the Municipal Corporations Acts which Her Majesty may be pleased to grant, or affect anything done in pursuance of those Acts or any scheme thereunder, and shall not affect the operation of any such charter, thing, or scheme, save that nothing in the said Acts or scheme shall authorise the establishment or continuance of any court for the trial of civil actions, and that nothing in that Act shall affect the right

to the benefit of any charity, or shall alter or confer any power of altering the defined charitable purposes (if any) to which any property was by law applicable at the passing of that Act:

"And whereas the Mayor and Commonalty of the Borough of New Woodstock, are a local authority within the meaning of Part XI of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882:

"And whereas the Mayor and Commonalty of the Borough of New Woodstock are a body corporate, under and by virtue of certain royal or other charters:

"And whereas the area of the proposed borough is within the district of the Guardians of the Woodstock Union as the Rural Sanitary Authority of the said Union, and whereas the said Guardians as such Rural Sanitary Authority are a local authority within the meaning of Part XI of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, and it is expedient that all property and liabilities vested in or attaching to the said Sanitary Authority so far as the same relate to the said area should be transferred to the New Corporation in manner provided by this scheme:

"And whereas a Burial Board was in, or about the year 1860, constituted for the parish of Woodstock, under the name of the Woodstock Burial Board, and whereas the said Burial Board is a local authority within the meaning of Part XI of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, and it is expedient that all property and liabilities vested in and attaching to the said Burial Board should be transferred to the New Corporation and the Rector of the parish of Woodstock for the time being in the manner provided by this scheme.

"And whereas part of the area of the proposed borough is within the District of the Wootton Highway Board and whereas from and after the commencement of this Scheme the New Corporation will as the Urban Authority execute the office of and be the Surveyor of Highways within the borough to the exclusion of the Wootton Highway Board.

"And whereas it is expedient that all property and liabilities vested in or attaching to the said Highway Board so far as the same relate to the said part of the area of the proposed borough should be transferred to the New Corporation in manner herein provided.

"And whereas the said Highway Board is a local authority within the meaning of Part XI of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882,

"And whereas certain land sewers culverts drains and other property situate in the parish