

the borough of Richmond (Surrey) acting by the Council as the Sanitary Authority of the said borough shall be substituted for the vestry in the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act 1887 and the Richmond Order scheduled thereto and the Mayor of the said borough shall be substituted for the chairman of the vestry on the Richmond Main Sewerage Board and in the said Act and Order. Provided that the vestrymen who at the commencement of this scheme may be elective members of the said Board shall respectively continue to hold their offices until their death resignation or removal or the expiration of their term of office (as the case may be).

" 12. All legal proceedings and rights of suit or to commence legal proceedings at the commencement of this Scheme commenced by or against attaching to or vested in the vestry in relation to any rights interests powers duties obligations property or liabilities by this Scheme transferred shall or may be continued or commenced by or against and shall attach to or vest in the Corporation or body to whom such transfer is by this Scheme made.

" 13. The accounts of the vestry shall be (as soon as conveniently may be) audited by the proper officers of the Local Government Board in like manner and subject to the like powers, duties, provisions, and right of appeal as if the Charter had not been granted, the provisions of section 247 of the Public Health Act, 1875, as amended by the District Auditors Act, 1879, and any regulations duly issued by the Local Government Board with respect to the audit of accounts of an Urban Authority not being the Council of a borough and of their officers shall apply to such audit; and the provisions of this Scheme with respect to the vestry shall be construed so as to admit of such exceptions as may be necessary to enable such audit to be duly made, but such exceptions shall be strictly limited in time, extent, character, and operation to the purposes of such audit.

" 14. All bye-laws before the commencement of this Scheme made by the vestry and confirmed by the Local Government Board under the powers of the Public Health Act 1875 vested in the said bodies respectively and in force within the parish of Richmond immediately before the commencement of this Scheme shall continue in full force and operation notwithstanding the grant of the Charter and the making of this Scheme and as though the Corporation and their officers were or referred to in the said bye-laws instead of the vestry and their officers respectively.

" 15. In case any question shall arise in consequence or by reason of the making of this Scheme as to the constitution election qualification or continuance in office of the vestry or any members thereof or as to any vacancies in the vestry or in respect of the matters aforesaid or anything connected therewith or dependent thereon then such question shall be referred to and decided by the Local Government Board whose decision shall be final and conclusive and all things shall be had and done in accordance with such decision.

" 16. In case any officer of the said vestry, who shall have been employed by the said vestry for a period of five years, shall lose his office by reason of the grant of the said Charter and the operation of this Scheme and shall not be employed by the Council of the said borough, nor offered by the said Council a position in their employ of a similar character, and of an equal value to that formerly held by him, he shall be entitled to be

paid, by way of compensation for the loss of his position, out of the funds of or under the control of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Richmond (Surrey) acting by the Council as the Urban Sanitary Authority for the said Municipal Borough, such annual allowance and for such period or such gratuity as on a full consideration of the circumstances of the case may seem to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to be a reasonable and just compensation for the loss of his position, and the said Commissioners in awarding the said compensation shall be guided by the principles which would be applicable in the case of an award of compensation under the provisions of 'The Superannuation Act, 1859,' to a person retiring or removed from the public service in consequence of the abolition of his office. Provided that no special Minute within the meaning of the said Act stating any special grounds for granting such allowance shall be necessary or be made. Provided, nevertheless, that if any such officer be employed by the said Council in such an office as aforesaid and discharged by them (otherwise than for misconduct) within two years of the ninth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, he shall be entitled to compensation in the same manner as if he had not been employed by the said Council. Provided that the term 'Officer' shall include only persons employed by the said vestry whose salaries or emoluments are payable at intervals of not less than three weeks, and no other persons. Provided also that the said Lords Commissioners shall be the sole judges as to the right or claim of any officer to any compensation whatever, and as to the amount thereof, and the said Lords Commissioners shall be the only judges upon any question whatever which may arise under this clause, and further, every determination of the said Lords Commissioners upon any such right, claim, amount, or question shall be absolutely final and conclusive, and every statement or reference to any matter aforesaid, made at any time in writing, and signed by any two of the said Lords Commissioners for the time being, shall be final and conclusive upon any person claiming under or by virtue of this clause and upon the said Corporation.

" SCHEDULE I.

" Act.

" Extent to which the vestry is to continue entitled to or bound by the Act or to exercise carry out or use the provisions thereof as mentioned in Clause 4 of the Scheme.

" Richmond Local Act, 1784.

" The whole of Sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 20.

" So much of Section 6 as relates to bye-laws rules orders and constitutions for the regulation of the vestrymen's own conduct as vestrymen in the execution of so much of the Act as continues to be applicable to the vestry.

" So much of Section 21 as relates to the appointment obligations and duties of one treasurer for the receipt and payment of such money as may belong to or be received by or on behalf of or be expended by or on behalf of the vestry after the commencement of this