

"2. This scheme (when confirmed by Parliament or Order in Council as the case may be) except where it is hereinafter expressly otherwise provided, shall be deemed to have come and shall come into operation on the day of the first meeting of the Council of the Municipal Borough, created by the Charter above referred to, and shall be construed to have effect accordingly for all purposes. The said date is hereinafter referred to as 'the commencement of this Scheme.'

"3. In this scheme the expression 'the Charter' shall mean the said Charter creating the Municipal Borough of Nelson. The expression 'the borough' shall mean the said borough of Nelson, created by the said Charter. The expression 'the Nelson Sanitary Authority,' shall mean the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Nelson, acting by the Council as the Sanitary Authority of the said borough. The expression 'the Local Government District' shall mean the Local Government district of Nelson, as it existed at the date of the said Charter.

"4. Immediately on, from and after the day of the first meeting of the Council of the borough, the borough shall be deemed to have been, and shall thenceforth continue, placed within the jurisdiction of the Nelson Sanitary Authority.

"5. The Local Board, its powers, duties, obligations, and privileges, shall continue, and shall be deemed to have continued, until the commencement of this scheme unaffected in any manner whatsoever by the creation of the borough, or the grant of the said Charter. This clause shall take effect and operate as from the grant of the said Charter.

"6. Immediately from and after the commencement of this scheme, the Local Board shall be, and the same is hereby abolished, and shall thenceforth be dissolved and cease to exist.

"7. All the powers, authorities, duties, obligations, liabilities, privileges, rights, property, interest, waterworks, gas works, market, recreation ground, hall and offices, and other property, whether real or personal and works connected therewith, and whether within or without the borough, held, possessed, enjoyed, or acquired by, or attaching to, or vested in, or belonging to the Local Board, under or by virtue of the Nelson Water and Gas Act, 1866, as amended as aforesaid; the Nelson Local Board Act, 1879, the Nelson Electric Lighting Order, 1883, confirmed as aforesaid; the Nelson Improvement Act, 1886, and the Nelson Local Board Act, 1888, or any of them shall pass or be transferred to be exercisable or enforceable by or against, vest in or attach to, and be held and enjoyed by or against the Nelson Sanitary Authority, and every reference in the said Acts or Orders to the Local Board shall be deemed and construed to be a reference to the Nelson Sanitary Authority, and the Nelson Sanitary Authority shall be substituted in the said Acts and Orders, and the contracts thereto scheduled for the Local Board for all purposes, and every reference or incorporation by the said Acts to or of any provisions of the Public Health Act, 1875, or the Acts amending or extending the same, applicable in the case of a Local Board, shall be deemed and construed to be a reference or incorporation to or of the corresponding provisions of the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Acts amending or extending the same applicable in the case of an Urban Sanitary Authority of a municipal borough. The district fund and general district rate of the Local Board named in the before-mentioned Acts of Parliament or Provisional Orders, or any of them, shall be deemed to mean and refer to the district fund

and general district rate of the borough of Nelson. All Bye-laws and Rules made under the said Acts or Orders, or any of them, shall be and continue in full force and operation notwithstanding the grant of the said charter and the above transfers, and every reference therein to the Local Board shall be construed as a reference to the Nelson Sanitary Authority, and the Nelson Sanitary Authority shall be substituted for the Local Board therein. Every contract and contractual engagement entered into by or with the Local Board under or by virtue of the said Acts or Orders, or any of them, shall be deemed to have been entered into by or with the Nelson Sanitary Authority.

"8. Any Bye-laws made by the Local Board and in force immediately before the granting of the charter shall be deemed to have continued and shall continue in force, except so far as the same may be repealed or altered by Bye-laws hereinafter duly made by the Nelson Sanitary Authority, and duly confirmed, and shall apply throughout the borough, and any application made to the Local Government Board for borrowing or other powers before the commencement of this Scheme, and subsequently granted to the Local Board, shall be deemed to have been, or be made by or granted to the Nelson Sanitary Authority and shall be effectual and may be used accordingly.

"9. All rights, property, liabilities, or obligations vested in or attaching to the Local Board, under the Public Health Act, 1875, or any Act amending or extending the same or incorporated therewith shall pass to be exercisable by or against, vest in, or attach to the Nelson Sanitary Authority.

"10. 'Property' wherever mentioned in this scheme means and includes all property whether real or personal, and all rights and interests, legal or equitable connected therewith, or in respect thereof, and all choses in action and all gas and water rates, and all other rates, and all rights, legal or equitable, connected therewith or in respect thereof, and all charters, deeds, books, writings, and documents, and all rights and claims to any legal or equitable relief.

"11. Any investigation, legal proceeding, or remedy, in respect of any property, obligation, debt, liability, or forfeiture vested in, or attaching to, or due to, or incurred by, or on behalf of the Local Board, before the commencement of this scheme, may be continued, prosecuted, or enforced by or against the Nelson Sanitary Authority.

"12. The transfers from the Local Board to the Nelson Sanitary Authority of any powers, rights, duties, capacities, liabilities, obligations, or property ordered, directed, or declared, or intended to be effected by this scheme shall be effectual and operative, whether or not such transfers may also have been effected or carried out by or under section three hundred and ten of the Public Health Act, 1875.

"13. In case any officer of the Local Board 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 Nelson Sanitary Authority, such gratuity or annual allowance as on a full consideration of the circumstances of the case, may seem to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any two or more of them, to be a reasonable and just compensation for the loss of his position, and the said Commissioners, in