

In Parliament.—Session 1900.

Shoeburyness Urban District Council (Gas).  
(Powers to Urban District Council of Shoeburyness to Acquire and Carry on Undertaking of Shoeburyness Gas Company, Limited; Manufacture, Supply and Deal in Gas Residual Products, Stoves, Engines, Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances; Maintain, Enlarge and Renew Existing and Construct Additional Gas and other Works; Levy Rates, Rents and Charges; Purchase Lands; Apply Funds and Borrow Further Moneys; Incorporation of Acts and Other Powers.)

**N**OTICE is hereby given that the Urban District Council of Shoeburyness (hereinafter referred to as "the Council") intend to apply to the House of Commons, by Petition, for leave to introduce a Bill in the present Session for all or some of the following among other purposes (that is to say):—

1. To authorise the Council to purchase, and the Shoeburyness Gas Company, Limited (hereinafter called the Company), to sell and to provide for the transfer to and vesting in the Council, of the undertaking, works, lands, buildings, plant, stores, property, rights, powers, privileges, and authorities of the Company, for such price or consideration and upon such terms and conditions as have been or may be agreed upon between the Council and the Company, or as may be provided for by the Bill, and to sanction, confirm, and give effect to any agreement between the Council and the Company, which may have been, or may be entered into, prior to the passing of the Bill, in relation to all or any of the matters aforesaid, and other the objects and purposes of the Bill.

2. To provide for the application and distribution of the purchase money, and the payment and discharge of the debts and liabilities of the Company, or the transfer of the same or any of them to the Council, and all incidental matters.

3. To authorise the Council to supply gas for all public and private purposes, in and throughout the urban district of Shoeburyness, which comprises the parish of South Shoebury, in the county of Essex.

4. To authorise the Council to carry on the undertaking of the Company when transferred to and vested in them, and to maintain, alter, improve, enlarge, extend, and renew or discontinue the existing gasworks, manufactories, and other works of the Company upon the lands on which the same are constructed or erected, or any part thereof, and which are hereinafter described, and on those lands, or on any part or parts thereof, to construct, erect, lay down, provide, make, maintain, alter, improve, enlarge, extend and renew, or discontinue additional and other gasworks and works for the manufacture or conversion of the residual products of gas, retorts, gasometers, manufactories, receivers, purifiers, drains, sewers, mains, pipes, meters, lamps, lamp posts, machinery and other apparatus, appliances, works, and conveniences, and to do all such acts as they think proper for the making, manufacture, conversion, utilization, storage, and supply of gas and coke and other products or residuum, obtained in or resulting from the manufacture of gas, and to make, store, and supply gas, and to manufacture, produce, convert, purchase, store, sell, provide, supply, dispose of, and deal in coke, tar, pitch, asphaltum, lime, ammoniacal liquor, oil, and all other products, refuse, or residuum, arising or resulting, or obtained from the manufacture of gas and residual products, or the materials used therein, and also meters, fittings, tubes, pipes, and other articles, and things in any way

connected with gas works, or with the supply of gas, and to erect, fit up, maintain, and let houses, cottages, and dwellings for the officers and servants of the Council.

The lands above referred to on which the existing works of the Company are erected or constructed are a piece or parcel of land situate in the said parish of South Shoebury and bounded on the south by the London, Tilbury and Southend Railway, and containing 3a. 3r. 30p. or thereabouts, being No. 73 on the 1-2500 Ordnance Survey (2nd Edition, 1897) for the said parish.

5. To authorise the Council to purchase by agreement, and hold, and to take on lease, and to take grants of easements over any lands, houses, or other hereditaments, which may be required for the purposes of their gasworks and other works, or otherwise requisite or desirable for the purposes of the Bill, and to vary and extinguish all rights and privileges connected with such lands, houses and hereditaments, and from time to time to sell, let, or otherwise dispose of any lands, houses, or other property belonging to the Council, and which may not be required for the purposes of their undertaking.

6. To authorise the Council to manufacture, purchase, provide, sell, let for hire, use and otherwise deal in, and to fit up, alter, repair, remove and refix stoves, ranges, meters, fittings, engines, machinery, pipes, lamps, burners, apparatus, appliances and conveniences for lighting, for motive power, for heating, cooking, ventilating, manufacturing, agricultural, industrial, or any other purpose whatsoever, and to supply the same with, or work the same by means of gas, and to provide materials and labour, and do works necessary therefor, or in connection therewith.

7. To authorise the Council to acquire, hold, work, use, and exercise patent and other rights and licenses in relation to the production, utilization, and distribution of gas, and the conversion, manufacture, production, or utilization of coke, tar, pitch, asphaltum, ammoniacal liquor, and other products or residuum from coal and other substances or materials used or employed in or resulting from the manufacture of gas, or otherwise in relation thereto.

8. To authorise the Council to levy and receive rates, rents, and charges, differential or otherwise, for or in respect of the supply of gas, and for the sale and hire of meters, fittings, stoves, ranges, engines, machinery, apparatus, appliances, pipes, lamps, burners, fittings, articles, conveniences, and things to alter existing rates, rents, and charges, and to confer, vary, and extinguish exemptions from the payment of rates, rents, and charges.

9. To maintain, take up, alter, and repair the existing mains, pipes, and other works of the Company, and to lay down, maintain, take up, alter, and repair additional mains, pipes, and other works, in, through, under, over, across, and along, and to cross, break up, alter, divert, stop up, or otherwise interfere with, either temporarily or permanently, any turnpike or other roads, highways, footways, occupation roads, footpaths, streets, including streets not dedicated to the public use, public places, bridges, canals, navigations, towing paths, railways, tramways, sidings, works, pipes, sewers, drains, rivers, streams, brooks, and watercourses in the said parish, so far as may be necessary or convenient for all or any of the purposes of the Bill.

10. To exempt the Council from any penalty for insufficiency of pressure, defect of illumin-