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(Transfer of Property and Liabilities of Bognor Urban District Council in Bognor Pier to the Bognor Pier Company Limited; Alteration and Extension of Existing Pier and Other Works in the County of Sussex; Purchase or Lease of Land by Agreement; Tolls and Charges for Use of Pier, &c.; Byelaws, &c.; Powers as to Sale or Lease of Undertaking or of Tolls, Rates, Rents, and Charges; Powers to Dredge; Capital Powers; Agreements with Local Authorities and others; Repeal of Acts and Orders; and for other purposes.)

NOTIOE is hereby given that application is intended to be made to the Board of Trade on or before the 23rd day of December next, by the Urban District Council of Bognor (hereinafter called the Council") pursuant to the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, and the General Pier and Harbour (1861) Amendment Act, and any other Act or Acts enabling them in that behalf for a Provisional Order (hereinafter called "the Order") for the following purposes or some of them (that is to say) :--

To transfer to and vest in or to provide for or confirm the transfer to and vesting in the Bognor Pier Company Limited, their successors and assigns (hereinafter called "the Company"), of the undertaking, pier works, property, rights, powers, privileges, authorities and liabilities of the Council in relation to Bognor Pier.

To empower the Company to strengthen, alter widen and extend the existing pier at Bognor or any part or parts thereof in the parish and urban district of Bognor, in the county of Sussex.

The pier as widened will be 80 feet or thereabouts in width for a distance of 300 feet or thereabouts from the commencement thereof, and 20 feet or thereabouts throughout the remainder of the pier, except at certain points where the width will be 22 feet or thereabouts, and except at the seaward end where the existing pier will be extended in a seaward direction 10 feet or thereabouts.

To enable the Company to erect, construct and maintain on the said pier and extension thereof all proper landing-stages, landing-places, lamps, lamp-posts, electric and other lighting apparatus machinery, gas and water pipes, tramways, rails, roads, footpaths, sheds, offices, toll-houses, tollgates or bars, cranes, hydraulic lifts, buoys, moorings, sewers, drains and other works and conveniences connected therewith.

To erect or construct upon or near to the said pier and works saloons, pavilions, assembly, concert, waiting, refreshment, reading and other rooms, shops, bazaars, kiosks, aquaria, lavatories, baths and other conveniences and suitable approaches thereto; and to exempt the same from the building and other bye-laws of the Council.

To deviate in constructing the works or any of them laterally or vertically.

To purchase, take on lease, or otherwise acquire by agreement the lands, foreshore, groynes, houses, or hereditaments necessary for the purposes of the said pier, pavilion, works and buildings and the approaches thereto.

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To demand, levy, take, and recover tolls, rates, rents, dues, and charges upon, or in respect of, the use of the said pier pavilion and works from all persons and in respect of all vessels using the same, and upon or from passengers, animals, and luggage landed or embarked or disembarked at or from the said pier and landing stages and from persons using the said pier as a promenade or for purposes of recreation, and to make charges for admission to the pavilion and other buildings on the pier, and from time to time to alter such tolls, rates, rents, dues, and charges; to confer, vary, or extinguish exemptions from such tolls, rates, rents, dues, and charges to compound and agree with any person or persons with respect to the payment of such tolls, rates, rents, dues, and charges, and to confer, vary, or extinguish other rights and privileges.

To deepen, dredge, scour, and excavate any portion of the foreshore so far as may be necessary to secure a sufficient water way and approach to the said pier, landing stages, and works for vessels using the same, and to remove any clay, rock, sand, mud, or other material, and to prevent the removal thereof by other persons.

To provide for lights for the protection of navigation and otherwise in connection with the works to be authorized by the Order.

To make bye-laws, rules, and regulations for the management, use, and protection of the said pier pavilion works and property and the control and regulation of vessels, persons, animals, goods, and vehicles using the same and the approaches thereto and the conduct of the officers and servants and to impose penalties for the breach or non-observance of any such bye-laws, rules, and regulations and of any provisions of the Order, and to appoint and remove pier masters, toll takers, and other officers and servants and to define the limits within which the powers of such pier masters, toll takers, officers and servants may be exercised.

To close the pier on special occasions.

To empower the Company to amalgamate with or to sell, lease or let the whole or any part of the undertaking, or the tolls, rates, rents and charges to be levied and charged in respect thereof to any other company, body or person, and to purchase or take on lease the undertaking of any other company, body or person, or to sell the same, and to confer upon such companies respectively all necessary powers in that behalf and to enable the amalgamated company and the lessees or the purchasers as the case may be, to exercise all or any of the powers of the companies so amalgamated or of the lessors or vendors, as the case may be.

To authorize the Company for all or any of the purposes aforesaid or for the general purposes of the Company or of the Order to apply their funds and revenues, and to raise further moneys by the creation and issue of new shares or stock with or without a preference or guaranteed dividend or other rights or privileges attached thereto, and by the creation and issue of debenture stock or by any of such means, and to make provision for cancelling and confirming the creation and issue by the Company of debentures and debenture stock already created and issued.