

conferred by the Acts and Orders of the Company as the intended Special Order may prescribe and to authorise the Company to maintain and use any gas mains pipes and other works in the added area transferred or to be transferred to or vested in the Company by the Order as if the same had been laid down and constructed under the powers of the Acts and Orders relating to the Company.

2. To re-define the limits of supply of the Company as from the date of such extension as aforesaid.

3. To transfer to and vest in the Company the gas undertaking (hereinafter referred to as "the Biddulph undertaking") of the Urban District Council of Biddulph (hereinafter called "the Council") upon and subject to the terms and conditions contained in the intended Special Order and to confirm and make binding on the parties with or without modification any agreement or agreements which may have been entered into between Gas Consolidation Limited and the Council or the Company with respect to the purchase and sale of the Biddulph undertaking and to enact all such incidental consequential provisions as may be necessary or expedient.

4. To make provision as to the consideration for such purchase and sale and as to the debts and liabilities of and moneys due or accruing due to the Council in relation to the Biddulph undertaking.

5. To re-enact with or without modification or to provide for the continuance of certain of the provisions of the Biddulph Gas Order 1913 confirmed by the Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (Gas) Act 1913 and for the repeal of the remainder of the said provisions except such of them as relate to the repayment of borrowed money by the Council.

6. To make provision as to the quality testing and price to be charged for gas supplied by the Company in the added area.

7. To empower the Company to make agreements with reference to the purchase and taking of a supply of gas in bulk from the Birchenwood Coal and Coke Company Limited and for the purposes of such agreement—

(a) to lay pipes within and without the limits of supply with the consent of the owner in land not forming part of the highway;

(b) to break up the streets or parts of streets known as Chapel Lane, Long Lane and Brook Street in the parish of Newchapel in the urban district of Kidsgrove for the purpose of laying pipes;

(c) to exercise with reference to any other streets within and without the limits of supply the powers of breaking up streets for the purpose of laying pipes and to provide that the consent of the highway authority shall be required to such breaking up outside the said limits but that such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld; and

(d) to utilise any gas so purchased in carrying on the undertaking of the Company.

8. To provide that no main or pipe laid down under the powers mentioned in the immediately preceding paragraph of this notice shall be deemed to be a main within the meaning of Section 11 of the Gasworks Clauses Act 1871.

9. To authorise the Company to purchase additional lands by agreement and to hold the

same for the purposes of the gas undertaking.

10. To empower the Company to provide maintain and equip grounds for games, sports or recreation for the use of their employees and to acquire by agreement and take on lease and hold lands for that purpose.

11. To empower the Company to raise additional capital by the creation and issue of new ordinary shares or stock or preference shares or stock or wholly or partly by one or more of those modes respectively.

12. To make provision as to the issue of share capital of the Company for the benefit of small investors by empowering the directors of the Company to reserve a proportion of any future issue of capital for exclusive offer to consumers of gas and to employees of the Company at such price and upon such terms and conditions as the directors may prescribe, and to empower the Company with the approval of the Board of Trade to offer share capital to employees of the Company and consumers of gas at fixed prices.

13. To empower the Company to raise additional money by borrowing on mortgage and by the creation and issue of debenture Stock, or by either of such means.

14. To make provisions as to the rights privileges and liabilities of the holders of stock or shares in the additional capital or of mortgages or debenture stock of the Company.

15. To make further provision with reference to the Company's affairs and finances, including provisions as to the appointment of a receiver, the purchase by the Company by agreement of debentures or debenture stock of the Company the application of the Company's funds for the purpose and the cancellation of any debentures or debenture stock so purchased, the closing of transfer books previous to the declaration of any dividend or the payment of interest, the indemnity which may be required for the issue of substituted share and stock certificates, the appointment of auditors, as to the keeping of a register of shareholders and shareholders address book and the authentication of such register, the substitution of a card index for the shareholders address book, the form of receipts to be given by the Company, vacation of the office of director, the appointment of a managing director, the provision of a renewal fund for the purpose of meeting expenses requisite for the maintenance and renewal of plant and works, the establishment of a superannuation scheme, and other matters.

16. To empower the Company to purchase from any source and to use such material as is required to work up and convert any residual products arising directly or indirectly from the manufacture of gas by them or purchased by them under Section 4 of the Gas Undertakings Act 1929.

17. To confer further general powers upon the Company in relation to their gas undertaking including the acquisition and use of any patent rights or licences, gas fittings formerly belonging to the Council not to be subject to distress, the cutting off of supplies of gas to consumers while charges for gas supplied by the Company or in respect of any apparatus or fitting let on hire or supplied by the Company are unpaid, the inclusion of several sums in one summons or warrant and the recovery of demands.