

CHAPTER vi.

An Act to make provision with regard to the A.D. 1932. audit of the accounts of the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Worksop and their officers and for other purposes.

[17th March 1932.]

WHEREAS by a charter of incorporation granted in the month of August one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one the parish and urban district of Worksop in the county of Nottingham was created a municipal borough subject to the Municipal Corporations Acts and was placed under the local government of the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough acting by the council (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation"):

And whereas by the said charter it was provided that the said charter should not come into effect until the first meeting of the council of the borough and that the first meeting of the council of the borough should be held on the ninth day of November one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one:

And whereas the first meeting of the council of the borough was held on the ninth day of November one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one:

And whereas by a scheme made under Part XI of the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and confirmed on the eleventh day of August one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one it was provided that the accounts of the urban district council of the urban district of Worksop

A.D. 1932. and of their committees and officers should be made up to the day appointed for the first meeting of the council of the borough and audited by the district auditor:

> And whereas it is expedient that the provisions contained in this Act with regard to the audit of the accounts of the Corporation and their officers should be made:

> And whereas it is expedient that the other provisions contained in this Act should be made:

> And whereas the purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

> And whereas in relation to the promotion of the Bill for this Act the requirements of the Borough Funds Acts 1872 to 1903 have been observed:

> May it therefore please your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say):—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Worksop Corporation Act 1932.

Interpretation.

- 2. In this Act unless the subject or context otherwise requires—
 - "the borough" means the borough of Worksop; \mathbf{and}
 - "the Corporation" means the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough acting by the council of the borough.

Audit of accounts.

3.—(1) Sections 25 26 and 27 and subsections (3) and (4) of section 233 of the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and section 246 of the Public Health Act 1875 shall cease to apply and shall be deemed never to have applied to any accounts of the Corporation or of the treasurer of the borough or of the officers of the Corporation and all accounts of the Corporation and of the treasurer and the officers of the Corporation under any public or private Act of Parliament or otherwise relating to matters dealt with by the Corporation in any capacity and including the accounts of any joint committee appointed by the Corporation with the

council of any county borough or district or any parish A.D. 1932. council and of the officers of any such joint committee shall be audited by a district auditor appointed by the Minister of Health in like manner as accounts of an urban authority and their officers are audited under sections 247 and 250 of the Public Health Act 1875 and those sections and all enactments amending them or applying to audit by district auditors including the enactments imposing penalties and providing for the recovery of sums as well as all enactments relating to matters incidental to or consequential upon any such accounts or audit shall apply in like manner as if so far as they relate to an audit of the accounts of an urban authority and the officers of that authority they were herein re-enacted with the necessary modifications and accordingly all burgesses of the borough and all ratepayers and owners of property in the borough shall have the like rights and there shall be the same appeal as in the case of that audit.

- (2) Immediately after the commencement of this Act or the thirty-first day of March one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two whichever shall be the later date all such accounts as are mentioned in subsection (1) of this section shall be made up for the period commencing on the tenth day of November one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and ending on the thirty-first day of March one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two and audited in accordance with the provisions of the said subsection.
- (3) The Corporation may out of the general rate fund of the borough—
 - (a) pay reasonable subscriptions whether annual or otherwise to the funds of any association of municipal corporations or other local authorities or their officers formed for the purpose of consultation as to their common interests and the discussion of matters relating to local government and any reasonable expenses of the attendance of any members or officers of the Corporation not exceeding in any case four at conferences or meetings of the said associations or any of them and of purchasing the reports of the proceedings of any such conferences or meetings;

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- (b) pay the reasonable expenses of the Corporation in providing public entertainments on the occasion of public ceremony or rejoicing and in the reception and entertainment of distinguished persons residing in or visiting the borough;
- (c) pay the reasonable expenses of the Corporation in connection with the presentation of the freedom of the borough to persons whom the Corporation may resolve to admit as honorary freemen;
- (d) pay the reasonable expenses in connection with the attendance of the members of the fire brigade of the Corporation at meetings and competitions of fire brigades.

Costs of Act.

4. All costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the preparing for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto as taxed by the taxing officer of the House of Lords or of the House of Commons shall be paid by the Corporation out of the general rate fund or the general rate of the borough or out of moneys to be borrowed for that purpose under and in accordance with the provisions of the Public Health Act 1875 and any moneys so borrowed shall be repaid within five years from the date of the passing of this Act and no sanction of the Minister of Health shall be required to such borrowing.

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