



CHAPTER lxxiv.

An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Borough of Bridgewater and to the Counties of Cambridge and Hertford. A.D. 1896.

[2nd July 1896.]

WHEREAS the Local Government Board have made the Provisional Orders set forth in the schedule hereto under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1888 :

51 & 52 Vict.
c. 41.

And whereas it is requisite that the said Orders should be confirmed by Parliament :

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen'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 :—

1. The Orders as altered and set out in the schedule hereto shall be and the same are hereby confirmed and all the provisions thereof shall have full validity and force. Orders in
schedule
confirmed.

2. This Act may be cited as the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act 1896. Short title.

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SCHEDULE.

*Bridgwater
Order.*

BOROUGH OF BRIDGWATER.

*Provisional Order made in pursuance of Sections 54 and 59 of the
Local Government Act 1888.*

To the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Bridgwater ; —
To the Justices of the Peace for the said Borough ; —
To the Court of Quarter Sessions for the said Borough ; —
To the School Board for the United School District of Bridgwater ; —
To the Justices of the Peace for the County of Somerset in Quarter Sessions
assembled ; —
To the County Council of Somerset ; —
To the Guardians of the Poor of the Bridgwater Union ; —
To the Rural District Council of Bridgwater ; —
To the Highway Board for the Highway District of Bridgwater ; —
To the Parish Councils of Bridgwater Without and Wembdon ; —
To the Overseers of the Poor of each of the Parishes of Bridgwater Without
and Wembdon ; —
And to all others whom it may concern.

51 & 52 Vict.
c. 41.

WHEREAS by Section 54 of the Local Government Act 1888 (which Act is herein-after referred to as "the Act of 1888") the Local Government Board are empowered to make a Provisional Order for altering the boundary of any Borough and by such Order to divide or alter any electoral division ;

40 & 41 Vict.
c. clxxiii.

And whereas the provisions of the Bridgwater (Corporation) Water Act 1877 (herein-after referred to as "the Local Act") are in force in the existing Borough ;

And whereas the Borough of Bridgwater is a Borough within the meaning of the Act of 1888 and the inhabitants of the Borough are a body corporate by the name of the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Bridgwater and act by the Council of the Borough which now consists of the Mayor (who is also a Councillor) six Aldermen and seventeen other Councillors ;

And whereas the area of the Borough of Bridgwater (herein-after referred to as "the existing Borough") is coloured pink on the two maps (herein-after referred to as "the Borough maps") each marked "Map of the Borough of Bridgwater as extended 1896" and sealed with the official seal of the Local Government Board ;

And whereas the existing Borough which comprises the Parish of Bridgwater is an Urban District of which the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses acting by the Council are the Urban District Council (herein-after called "the Corporation") ;

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And whereas it has been agreed between the Corporation and the Great Western Railway Company that between the points A and B on the Borough maps the boundary of the Borough as extended by this Order shall pass on the western side of the main line of that Company and the Borough maps have been altered accordingly and as so altered have been signed by the Right Honourable the Earl of Morley Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords ;

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And whereas the existing Borough has a separate court of quarter sessions a separate commission of the peace and a separate police force and is for the purposes of the election of Town Councillors divided into two wards termed respectively the North Ward and the South Ward ;

And whereas the Corporation have adopted the provisions of the Infectious Disease (Notification) Act 1889 and those provisions are accordingly in force in the existing Borough ;

52 & 53 Vict.
c. 72.

And whereas the Baths and Washhouses Acts 1846 to 1882 and the Public Libraries Acts 1892 and 1893 are in force in the existing Borough ;

9 & 10 Vict.
c. 74.
45 & 46 Vict.
c. 30.

And whereas the Parishes of Bridgwater Without and Wembdon in the County of Somerset are contributory places (herein-after together referred to as "the two contributory places") in the Rural District of Bridgwater (herein-after referred to as "the Rural District") of which the Rural District Council of Bridgwater (herein-after referred to as "the Rural District Council") are the District Council ;

55 & 56 Vict.
c. 53.
56 Vict. c. 11.

And whereas each of the said two Parishes is a rural parish within the meaning of the Local Government Act 1894 (herein-after referred to as "the Act of 1894") and a Parish Council has been established for each of such Parishes ;

56 & 57 Vict.
c. 73.

And whereas the existing Borough and the Parish of Bridgwater Without together form the Bridgwater United School District and the contributory place of Wembdon is subject to the jurisdiction of the School Attendance Committee appointed by the Guardians of the Poor of the Bridgwater Union ;

And whereas the Local Government Board by an Order dated the Fourteenth day of August One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight determined that two County Councillors of the County of Somerset should be apportioned to the existing Borough and the existing Borough is accordingly divided into two electoral divisions known as the Northern Electoral Division and the Southern Electoral Division such divisions being co-extensive with the municipal wards ;

And whereas the Parish of Bridgwater Without is included in the Huntspill Electoral Division and the Parish of Wembdon is included in the Cannington Electoral Division :

Now therefore We the Local Government Board in pursuance of the powers given to Us by Sections 54 and 59 of the Act of 1888 and by any other enactments in that behalf do hereby order that from and after the date of the Act of Parliament confirming this Order the following provisions shall take effect :—

51 & 52 Vict.
c. 41.

Art. I. This Order shall except so far as is otherwise herein expressly provided or as there may be anything in the subject-matter or context inconsistent therewith come into operation on the Ninth day of November One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six (which date is herein-after referred to as "the commencement of this Order") :

Commence-
ment of Order.

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Order.*

Date of
operation of
Order for
parish burgess
lists &c.

51 Vict. c. 10.

Provided that for the purposes of the parish burgess lists and burgess roll and other lists to be made under the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and the Acts amending the same of the lists of county electors and the county register to be made in pursuance of the County Electors Act 1888 and any Act amending that Act of the lists of parochial electors and any other lists or register to be made in pursuance of the Act of 1894 and of all proceedings preliminary or relating to any municipal election to be held on the next ordinary day of election this Order shall operate from the date of the Act of Parliament confirming the same.

Definitions.

Art. II. In this Order—

- (1.) The expression "the Borough" means the Borough as extended by this Order;
- (2.) The expression "the added areas" means the parts of the Rural District added to the existing Borough by this Order.

Extension of
Borough.

Art. III. The boundary of the existing Borough shall be altered so as to include in addition to the area of the existing Borough the following parts of the Rural District viz.—

- (a.) The parts of the Parish of Bridgwater Without which are coloured blue and yellow on the Borough maps;
- (b.) The part of the Parish of Wembdon which is coloured green on the Borough maps;

and the altered boundary shall be that shown by the red line on the Borough maps and the whole of the area included within such altered boundary shall for the purposes of the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and for all other purposes be the Borough.

45 & 46 Vict.
c. 50.

Deposit of
maps.

Art. IV.—(1.) One of the Borough maps shall be deposited in the office of the Local Government Board and the other shall be deposited by the town clerk of the Borough at his office within fourteen days after the date of this Order. Copies of the Borough map deposited with the town clerk certified by him to be true shall be sent within one month after the date of the Act of Parliament confirming this Order to the clerk to the County Council of Somerset to the clerk to the Rural District Council and to the Director-General of Her Majesty's Ordnance Survey at Southampton.

Copies of map
to be evidence.

(2.) Copies of or extracts from the Borough map deposited with the town clerk certified by him to be true shall be received in all courts of justice and elsewhere as *prima facie* evidence of the contents of such map so far as relates to the boundaries of the Borough and such map shall at all reasonable times be open to inspection by any person liable to any rate leviable within the Borough and any such person shall be entitled to a copy of or extract from such map certified by the town clerk to be true on payment of a reasonable fee to be determined by the Council of the Borough for every such copy or extract. All sums received under this Article shall be carried to the credit of the borough fund.

County police.

Art. V.—(1.) At the commencement of this Order such members if any of the police force of the County of Somerset as shall be determined by agreement to be made as soon as practicable after the date of the Act of Parliament confirming

this Order between the Standing Joint Committee of the County of Somerset and the Watch Committee of the existing Borough or in default of such agreement as shall be determined by a Secretary of State shall be transferred to and become part of the police force of the Borough and any member of the county police force so transferred shall hold office upon the same tenure and upon the same terms and conditions as if this Order had not been made and while he performs the same or similar duties his remuneration and the pension (if any) to which he is entitled shall not be less than they would have been if this Order had not been made nor shall they be less than those of constables in the same or a similar grade of the borough police force.

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Order.

(2.) The provisions of Section 15 (2) of the Police Act 1890 shall extend and apply to and in relation to any member of the police force transferred under the powers of this Article as if such member had removed with the written sanction of the Chief Constable of the County of Somerset.

53 & 54 Vict.
c. 54.

Art. VI.—(1.) The powers and duties of the quarter sessions of the existing Borough of the recorder clerk of the peace coroner and justices of the peace appointed for the existing Borough and of the clerk to such justices and of the police constables and other peace officers of the existing Borough shall extend to and apply throughout the Borough.

Jurisdiction of
justices &c.
extended.

(2.) Every person committing an offence in the added areas prior to the commencement of this Order shall be tried adjudicated on and dealt with as if this Order had not been made.

Art. VII. For the purposes of the parish burgess lists and burgess roll and other lists to be made under the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and the Acts amending the same and of all matters in relation thereto the added areas shall be deemed to have always been part of the Borough and the town clerk of the existing Borough shall be the town clerk of the Borough and anything required to be done in connexion with the purposes aforesaid before the date of the Act of Parliament confirming this Order may be done as soon as practicable after such date and if so done shall have full force and effect and if any difficulty arise in making out revising or otherwise dealing with such lists and roll or the lists of county electors and the county register or the lists and register of parochial electors the Local Government Board may make such Order as shall appear to them to be necessary to remove any such difficulty and to give effect to the provisions of this Order and may vary so far as shall be necessary the provisions in force with regard to such lists roll and registers.

Parish burgess
lists &c.

Art. VIII. Subject to the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and any Act amending the same as to the alteration of wards the Borough shall for the purposes of the election of Councillors continue to be divided into two wards and the part of the Parish of Wembdon hereby added to the Borough and the part of the Parish of Bridgwater Without hereby added to the Borough which is coloured yellow on the maps shall be included in the North Ward and the part of the Parish of Bridgwater Without hereby added to the Borough which is coloured blue on the maps shall be included in the South Ward and the Councillors representing those wards respectively who will not go out of office on the First day of November One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six

Alteration
of wards.

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Byelaws.

Art. IX. All byelaws and regulations made by the Corporation which at the commencement of this Order are in force in the existing Borough shall thenceforth apply to the Borough until or except in so far as any such byelaws or regulations may be altered or repealed and any byelaws and regulations made by the Rural District Council or their predecessors shall on that date cease to be in force or have any effect within the added areas. Provided that any proceedings which might have been taken by the Rural District Council against any person for any offence against such byelaws and regulations committed before the commencement of this Order may so far as such offence was committed in any part of the added areas be taken by the Corporation.

Alteration of School Districts &c.

Art. X.—(1.) The Borough and the Parish of Bridgwater Without shall constitute the United School District of Bridgwater and the members of the School Board for the existing United School District who shall be in office at the commencement of this Order shall be deemed to have been elected as and shall be the School Board for the United School District as enlarged by this Order.

(2.) All byelaws made under the Acts relating to public elementary education in force in the Bridgwater United School District at the commencement of this Order shall thenceforth apply to the part of the Parish of Wembdon hereby added to the Borough until revoked or altered in accordance with the provisions of the Elementary Education Acts 1870 to 1891 and from and after that day any byelaws made by the School Attendance Committee of the Bridgwater Union shall cease to operate in any part of the added areas.

Town clerk and other officers continued.

Art. XI.—(1.) The town clerk and all other officers and servants of the Corporation of the existing Borough who hold office at the commencement of this Order shall continue to be the town clerk and officers and servants of the Corporation of the Borough and shall hold their offices by the same tenure as at that date.

(2.) The auditors who shall be in office at the commencement of this Order shall continue in office and shall be the Borough Auditors until the next ordinary day of election of Borough Auditors.

Compensation to existing officers.

Art. XII. Every officer who by virtue of this Order or of anything done in pursuance or in consequence thereof suffers any direct pecuniary loss by abolition of office or by diminution or loss of fees or salary shall be entitled to have compensation paid to him by the Corporation for such pecuniary loss and in determining such compensation regard shall be had to the conditions and other circumstances required by sub-section (1) of Section 120 of the Act of 1888 to be had in regard in cases of compensation under that section and the compensation shall not exceed the limit therein mentioned and shall be paid in the case of any such officer whose office or employment relates wholly or partly to sanitary purposes as defined by the Public Health Act 1875 out of the district fund and general district rate of the Borough and in the case of any other such officer out of the borough fund and borough rate of the Borough and the provisions of sub-sections (2) to (7) of that section shall apply with such modifications (if any) as may be required.

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Art. XIII.—(1.) If at the commencement of this Order any action or proceeding or any cause of action or proceeding is pending or existing by or against the Rural District Council in relation exclusively to any part of the added areas the same shall not be in anywise prejudicially affected by reason of the making of this Order but may be continued prosecuted and enforced by or against the Corporation of the Borough.

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Order.
Actions &c.
not to abate.

(2.) Anything duly done or suffered and all contracts deeds bonds agreements and other instruments (subsisting at the commencement of this Order) entered into or made by the Rural District Council or their predecessors in relation exclusively to any part of the added areas shall be of as full force and effect against or in favour of the Corporation of the Borough and may be continued and enforced as fully and effectually as if instead of the Rural District Council or their predecessors the Corporation had done or suffered the same or been a party thereto and the Rural District Council shall on the date aforesaid deliver to the town clerk of the Borough any such contract deed bond agreement or other instrument.

Saving for
contracts &c.

Art. XIV. All property vested in the Corporation at the commencement of this Order for the benefit of the existing Borough shall be held by the Corporation for the benefit of the Borough and the Corporation shall hold enjoy and exercise for the benefit of the Borough all the powers which at the date aforesaid are exerciseable by or vested in the Corporation for the benefit of the existing Borough and all liabilities which on the date aforesaid attached to the Corporation in respect of the existing Borough shall attach to them in respect of the Borough.

Corporation
property and
liabilities.

Art. XV.—(1.) All property and liabilities which immediately before the commencement of this Order are vested in or attached to the Rural District Council in relation exclusively to any part of the added areas shall be transferred to vested in and attach to the Corporation as Urban District Council and any property or liabilities vested in or attached to the Rural District Council in relation to the added areas conjointly with any other area shall be a matter for adjustment under Section 62 of the Act of 1888 and the provisions of that section shall apply.

Property &c. of
Rural District
Council.

(2.) The Rural District Council shall cease to exercise any powers or duties within any part of the added areas :

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jurisdiction of
Rural District
Council.

Provided that any arrears of rates made for the purposes of the Public Health Act 1875 or the Highway Acts and which remain due at the commencement of this Order in respect of any hereditaments in the added areas may be collected and recovered by the Overseers as if this Order had not been made and when collected and recovered shall be applied towards the discharge of any precept of the Rural District Council which at that date shall be in force and not satisfied and the balance if any shall be paid to the Corporation.

Art. XVI. The provisions of the Local Act and of any other Local Act affecting the existing Borough or the Corporation shall extend and apply to the Borough and any reference therein to the existing Borough and the Corporation thereof shall be deemed to refer to the Borough and the Corporation thereof.

Local Acts and
Provisional
Orders.

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Adoptive Acts.

Electoral
 Divisions.

Art. XVII. The provisions of the Baths and Washhouses Acts 1846 to 1882 of the Infectious Disease (Notification) Act 1889 and of the Public Libraries Acts 1892 and 1893 shall be in force within and apply to the Borough as if the same had been adopted therein.

Art. XVIII. Subject to the provisions of Section 54 of the Act of 1888 the following provisions shall take effect:—

(1.) The above-recited Order of the Local Government Board dated the Fourteenth day of August One thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight shall from and after the commencement of this Order operate as if the Borough of Bridgwater mentioned therein were the Borough and not the existing Borough;

(2.) The added areas shall respectively cease to form part of the electoral divisions of which they now form part respectively and the part of the Parish of Wembdon hereby added to the Borough and the part of the Parish of Bridgwater Without coloured yellow on the maps shall be added to the Northern Electoral Division and the part of the Parish of Bridgwater Without coloured blue on the maps shall be added to the Southern Electoral Division;

(3.) The persons who immediately prior to the commencement of this Order are the County Councillors of the County of Somerset representing the Northern Electoral Division and the Southern Electoral Division respectively shall from and after that date represent those Divisions as hereby altered as if they had originally been elected to represent the altered Divisions.

Alteration of
 Parishes.

Art. XIX.—(1.) The added areas shall cease to form parts of the Parishes of which they now respectively form part and shall be amalgamated with the Parish of Bridgwater.

Parish
 Councils.

(2.) The Parish Councils of Bridgwater Without and Wembdon shall continue and shall be deemed to have been elected for and shall be the Parish Councils of the Parishes of Bridgwater Without and Wembdon as diminished by this Order and the said Parish Councils shall cease to exercise any powers or duties within any part of the added areas.

Guardians.

(3.) The persons who at the commencement of this Order are the Guardians of the Poor of the Bridgwater Union representing the Parish of Bridgwater shall represent that Parish as extended by this Order as if they had been originally elected to represent the extended Parish.

Ecclesiastical
 divisions and
 charities.

Art. XX.—(1.) Nothing in this Order shall affect the ecclesiastical divisions of any Parish or shall prejudice vary or affect any right interest or jurisdiction in or over any charitable endowment which now is applicable for the benefit of any of the existing Parishes affected by this Order.

Valuation lists.

(2.) Until new valuation lists are made the portions of the valuation lists of the Parishes of Bridgwater Without and Wembdon which relate to hereditaments in the added areas shall be deemed to form part of the valuation list of the Parish of Bridgwater.

Saving for
 existing lists of
 parliamentary
 voters &c.

(3.) For the purposes of the lists and registers of persons entitled to vote at an election of Members of Parliament of the register of county and parochial electors and of jury lists the Parishes affected by this Order shall be deemed to continue unaltered until the new lists and registers come into operation.

(4.)—(a.) Every person, who has acquired or who on or before the commencement of this Order shall acquire a settlement in any existing Parish affected by this Order shall be deemed to have acquired a settlement in the Parish comprising the area in which the acts or circumstances conferring such settlement shall have been done or occurred or if such acts or circumstances shall have been done or occurred in more than one Parish such settlement shall be in the Parish comprising the place of residence of such person at the time of acquiring such settlement :

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(b.) Any person who shall have acquired a status of irremovability from any existing Parish affected by this Order shall be deemed to have acquired a status of irremovability from the Parish comprising the area in which he shall reside at the commencement of this Order or (if he shall then be in receipt of relief) from the Parish comprising the area in which he was residing at the time of becoming chargeable.

Irremovability of paupers.

(5.) Notwithstanding the alteration in the areas of Parishes effected by this Order all contribution orders made by the Guardians of the Poor of the Bridgwater Union and all precepts made by the Rural District Council before the commencement of this Order shall be as valid in law as if this Order had not been made.

Saving for contribution orders and precepts.

(6.) All arrears of rates due at the commencement of this Order in the added areas shall be collected and recovered by the Overseers of the existing Parishes comprising those areas as if this Order had not been made.

Arrears of rates.

Art. XXI. This Order may be cited as the Borough of Bridgwater Order 1896.

Short title.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board this Eighteenth day of June One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

(l.s.)

G. SHAW-LEFEVRE President.

S. B. PROVIS Assistant Secretary.

COUNTIES OF CAMBRIDGE AND HERTFORD.

Provisional Order made in pursuance of Section 54 of the Local Government Act 1888 for altering the Boundary between Counties.

Cambridge and Hertford Order.

To the Justices of the Peace for the County of Cambridge in Quarter Sessions assembled ; —

To the County Council of Cambridge ; —

To the Justices of the Peace for the County of Hertford in Quarter Sessions assembled ; —

To the County Council of Hertford ; —

To the Guardians of the Poor of the Royston Union ; —

To the Rural District Councils of Ashwell and Melbourn ; —

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To the Parish Councils of Bassingbourn Kneesworth Melbourn and Royston (Cambs); —

To the Overseers of the Poor of each of the Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth Melbourn and Royston (Cambs); —

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS by Section 54 of the Local Government Act 1888 (which Act is herein-after referred to as "the Act of 1888") the Local Government Board are empowered to make a Provisional Order for altering the boundary of any County and by such Order to divide or alter any electoral division;

And whereas the Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth Melbourn and Royston (Cambs) now form part of the County of Cambridge and of the Rural District of Melbourn and the said Parish of Royston (Cambs) and a part of each of the said Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth and Melbourn constitute the North Royston Special Drainage District;

And whereas a Parish Council has in pursuance of the Local Government Act 1894 (herein-after referred to as "the Act of 1894") been established for each of the Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth Melbourn and Royston (Cambs) such Parish Councils consisting respectively of thirteen nine thirteen and five members;

And whereas the said Parish of Bassingbourn is for the purposes of the election of Parish Councillors divided into two wards and the South Ward comprises the part of the Parish which is in the North Royston Special Drainage District and is represented by four Parish Councillors;

And whereas the said Parish of Melbourn is for the purposes of the election of Parish Councillors also divided into two wards and the West Ward comprises the part of the Parish which is in the said Special Drainage District and is represented by two Parish Councillors;

And whereas two Rural District Councillors are elected for each of the Parishes of Bassingbourn and Melbourn and one Rural District Councillor is elected for each of the Parishes of Kneesworth and Royston (Cambs);

And whereas the County Council of Hertford have by an Order dated the Twenty-third day of November One thousand eight hundred and ninety-four postponed the operation within the whole of the County of Hertford of Section 25 of the Act of 1894 so far as it relates to highways for a period of three years from the appointed day as defined by that Act:

Now therefore We the Local Government Board in pursuance of the powers given to Us by Sections 54 and 59 of the Act of 1888 and by any other enactments in that behalf do hereby order that from and after the date of the Act of Parliament confirming this Order the following provisions shall take effect:—

Art. I. This Order shall except so far as is otherwise herein expressly provided and so far as there may be anything in the subject-matter or context inconsistent therewith come into operation on the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six:

Provided that for the purposes of the lists of county electors and the county registers to be made for the Counties of Cambridge and Hertford in pursuance

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 ment of Order.

Date of
 operation of
 Order for lists
 of county

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of the County Electors Act 1888 or any Act amending that Act this Order shall operate from the date of the Act of Parliament confirming the same :

Provided also that for the purposes of Sections 20 22 23 24 and 26 of the Act of 1888 and for the purposes of the Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Act 1890 this Order shall not operate until after the Thirty-first day of March One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

electors &c.
51 Vict. c. 10.
Date of
operation for
grants from
Local Taxation
Account.
53 & 54 Vict.
c. 60.
Alteration of
county
boundaries.

Art. II. (1.) The boundary between the Counties of Cambridge and Hertford shall be altered so that the Parish of Royston (Cambs) and the part of each of the said Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth and Melbourn which is included in the North Royston Special Drainage District (which Parish and parts of Parishes are herein-after referred to as "the transferred areas") shall cease to be within the Administrative County of Cambridge and shall form part of the Administrative County of Hertford.

(2.)—(a.) Subject to any future revision the county rate basis or standard of the County of Cambridge shall be altered by the omission therefrom of the annual value of the property in the transferred areas and the county rate basis or standard of the County of Hertford shall be revised by the addition of the annual value of the property in the transferred areas :

(b.) For the purpose of such provision the annual value of the property in the parish of Royston (Cambs) shall be the annual value as stated in the county rate basis or standard of the County of Cambridge in force immediately before the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and for the purpose of ascertaining the annual value of the property in the parts of the Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth and Melbourn which are included in the transferred areas the annual value of the property in those Parishes as shown in the last-mentioned county rate basis or standard shall be divided in proportion to the rateable value according to the valuation list then in force of the hereditaments in the said parts respectively and in the remainders of the said Parishes respectively :

(c.) No rate shall be deemed to be invalid or open to objection by reason of its being levied and raised on the basis or standard of either County as so revised.

Art. III. Lists of prisoners writs process and particulars and all records and documents relating to or to be executed in connexion with any action or proceeding pending or existing on the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six and appertaining to the transferred areas shall be delivered turned over or transferred and signed in like manner in all respects so nearly as circumstances admit as is required to be done upon a new sheriff coming into office in like manner as if the sheriff of the County of Hertford were as respects the transferred areas the new sheriff in succession to the sheriff of the County of Cambridge.

Transfer of
lists of
prisoners &c.

Art. IV. For the purposes of the lists of county electors the county registers and other lists to be made under the County Electors Act 1888 and the Acts amending the same and all matters in relation thereto the transferred areas shall

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electors
lists &c.

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be deemed to have always been part of the County of Hertford and anything required to be done in connexion with the purposes aforesaid before the date of the Act of Parliament confirming this Order may in so far as the same relates to the transferred areas be done as soon as practicable after such date and if so done shall have full force and effect and if any difficulty shall arise in making out revising or otherwise dealing with such lists and registers the Local Government Board may make such Order as shall appear to them to be necessary to remove any such difficulty and to give effect to the provisions of this Order and may vary so far as shall be requisite the provisions in force with regard to such lists and registers.

Petty Sessional
Division and
Coroner's
District.

Art. V. The transferred areas shall be included in the Odsey Petty Sessional Division of the County of Hertford until the Quarter Sessions of that County shall otherwise direct and shall be included in the Royston Coroner's District of that County subject to any alteration which may be made in that District.

Electoral
Division.

Art. VI. Subject to the provisions of Section 54 of the Act of 1888 the transferred areas shall be included in the Royston Electoral Division of the County of Hertford and the person who immediately prior to the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six is the County Councillor representing that Division shall be deemed to represent that Division as so altered as if he had been originally elected to represent the altered Division.

Highways.

Art. VII. The above-recited Order of the County Council of Hertford shall apply to the transferred areas as if those areas had at the date of the said Order formed part of the County of Hertford.

Compensation
to existing
officers.

Art. VIII. The provisions of Section 120 of the Act shall apply to any officer of the County Council of Cambridge who by virtue of this Order or of anything done in pursuance or in consequence thereof shall suffer any such direct pecuniary loss as is in that section mentioned.

County
byelaws.

Art. IX. All byelaws orders and regulations made by the County Council of Hertford which on the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six are in force within the County of Hertford shall from and after that date be in force within and apply to the transferred areas.

Constitution of
new Parishes.

Art. X.—(1.) The part of each of the Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth and Melbourn hereby added to the County of Hertford shall cease to form part of the Parish to which it now belongs and shall be constituted a separate Parish and such separate Parishes shall be termed respectively the Parish of South Bassingbourn the Parish of South Kneesworth and the Parish of South Melbourn.

(2.) The Parish of Royston (Cambs) shall be called the Parish of North Royston.

Addition to
Rural District.

Art. XI.—(1.) The transferred areas shall cease to form part of the Rural District of Melbourn and shall be added to the Rural District of Ashwell.

Rural District
Councillors.

(2.) The Rural District Councillor elected to represent the Parish of Royston (Cambs) shall cease to be a member of the Rural District Council of Melbourn and shall become a member of the Rural District Council of Ashwell and shall represent the Parish of North Royston upon the last-mentioned Council.

(3.) One Rural District Councillor shall be elected to represent each of the Parishes of South Bassingbourn South Kneesworth and South Melbourn upon the Rural District Council of Ashwell and the Rural District Councillors elected to represent the existing Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth and Melbourn shall represent those Parishes as diminished by this Order upon the Rural District Council of Melbourn.

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Art. XII.—(1.) The four Parish Councillors elected to represent the South Ward of the existing Parish of Bassingbourn shall cease to be members of the Parish Council of Bassingbourn and shall become members of the Parish Council of South Bassingbourn.

Parish
 Councils.

(2.) The two Parish Councillors elected to represent the West Ward of the Parish of Melbourn shall cease to be members of the Parish Council of Melbourn and shall become members of the Parish Council of South Melbourn.

(3.) Such number of persons shall be elected in manner provided by the Act of 1894 for the filling of a casual vacancy among Parish Councillors as may be necessary to bring the number of members of the Parish Councils of South Bassingbourn and South Melbourn up to five members or to such number of members as may be fixed by the County Council. Such election may be made by the persons who under subdivision (2) of this Article become members of the Parish Council of South Melbourn although they are not a quorum.

(4.) The Parish Council of the existing Parish of Kneesworth shall become and be the Parish Council of South Kneesworth and subject to the provisions of sub-section (1) (a) of Section 1 and of Section 39 of the Act of 1894 the Parish of Kneesworth as diminished by this Order shall be a Parish not having a separate Parish Council.

Art. XIII. The said Parishes of South Bassingbourn South Kneesworth and South Melbourn shall be included in and form part of the Royston Union.

Addition of
 new Parishes
 to Union.

Art. XIV. Nothing in this Order shall affect the ecclesiastical divisions of any Parish or shall prejudice vary or affect any right interest or jurisdiction in or over any charitable endowment which now is applicable for the benefit of either of the existing Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth Melbourn and Royston (Cambs).

Saving for
 ecclesiastical
 divisions and
 charities.

Art. XV. Every officer other than an officer mentioned in Article VIII. of this Order who by virtue of this Order or of anything done in pursuance or in consequence thereof suffers any direct pecuniary loss by abolition of office or by diminution or loss of fees or salary shall be entitled to have compensation paid to him for such pecuniary loss and in determining such compensation regard shall be had to the conditions and other circumstances required by sub-section (1) of Section 120 of the Act of 1888 to be considered in cases of compensation under that section and the compensation shall not exceed the limit therein mentioned. A joint committee of the County Councils of Cambridge and Hertford shall determine to what local authority application shall be made for compensation and out of what fund such compensation if any shall be paid by such authority and the provisions of sub-sections (2) to (7) of the said Section 120 shall apply with the substitution of such local authority for the "County Council" and with such other alterations if any as may be required.

Compensation
 to parochial
 officers.

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Valuation lists.

Art. XVI. Until new valuation lists are made the portions of the valuation lists of each of the existing Parishes of Bassingbourn Kneesworth and Melbourn which respectively relate to hereditaments in the transferred areas shall be deemed to be the valuation list of the Parishes of South Bassingbourn South Kneesworth and South Melbourn as the case may be.

Existing registers of voters &c.

Art. XVII. For the purposes of the lists and registers of persons entitled to vote at an election of members of Parliament of lists and registers of county and parochial electors and of jury lists the Parishes affected by this Order shall be deemed to continue unaltered until the new lists and registers come into operation.

Settlements of paupers.

Art. XVIII.—(1.) Every person who has acquired or who on or before the commencement of this Order shall acquire a settlement in any existing Parish affected by this Order shall be deemed to have acquired a settlement in the Parish comprising the area in which the acts or circumstances conferring such settlement shall have been done or occurred. If such acts or circumstances shall have been done or occurred in more than one Parish such settlement shall be in the Parish comprising the place of residence of such person at the time of acquiring such settlement.

Irremovability of paupers.

(2.) Any person who shall have acquired a status of irremovability from any existing Parish affected by this Order shall be deemed to have acquired a status of irremovability from the Parish comprising the area in which he shall reside at the commencement of this Order or (if he shall then be in receipt of relief) from the Parish comprising the area in which he was residing at the time of becoming chargeable.

Saving for existing contribution orders of Guardians and Rural District Councils.

Art. XIX. Notwithstanding the alterations in area effected by this Order all contribution orders made by the Guardians of the Poor of the Royston Union and all precepts issued by the Rural District Council of Melbourn before the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six shall be as valid in law as if this Order had not been made.

Preparation of future contribution orders.

Art. XX. For the purpose of apportioning the estimated expenditure of the Guardians of the Poor of the Royston Union and of the Rural District Councils of Ashwell and Melbourn in respect of the half-year ending on the Thirty-first day of March One thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven and of preparing contribution orders and precepts prior to the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six this Order shall so far as may be necessary be deemed to have taken effect prior to the last-mentioned date.

Overseers.

Art. XXI. As soon as may be after the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six Overseers of the Poor shall be appointed for each of the Parishes of South Bassingbourn South Kneesworth and South Melbourn. Provided that in the case of each of the said Parishes until such appointment is made the Overseers of the existing Parish now comprising such Parish shall be deemed to be the Overseers of such Parish.

Arrears of rates.

Art. XXII. All recoverable arrears of rates due on the Thirtieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six in respect of property in the areas by this Order constituted the new Parishes of South Bassingbourn

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South Kneesworth and South Melbourn shall be recovered by the Overseers of the Poor of such Parishes respectively.

Art. XXIII. This Order may be cited as the County of Hertford (Royston) Order 1896.

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