# CHAPTER ccxli.

An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the City of Norwich and the Boroughs of Walsall and Wolverhampton. A.D. 1877.

[14th August 1877.]

WHEREAS the Local Government Board have, as regards the city and boroughs herein mentioned, made the Provisional Orders set forth in the schedule hereunto annexed, under the provisions of the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875: 38 & 39 Vict. c. 36.

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:

The Provisional Orders in schedule confirmed.

**1.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Orders set out in the schedule hereunto annexed shall be and the same are hereby confirmed, and all the provisions thereof shall, from and after the passing of this Act, have full validity and force.

Modification of the improvement scheme relating to the borough of Wolverhampton.

**2.** The Provisional Order confirmed by this Act, authorising the urban sanitary authority for the borough of Wolverhampton to carry into execution the improvement scheme therein mentioned, shall be modified to the extent and in the manner following:

(1.) Where before the passing of this Act the said Urban Sanitary Authority shall have entered into any agreement with respect to the purchase and taking of any lands for the purposes of the said scheme, the said authority shall only purchase and take the same subject to and in accordance in every respect with the terms of and exceptions contained in such agreement:

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(2.) In addition to the lands and premises specified in Article One of the Provisional Order, the lands and premises numbered on the plan therein referred to, 2, 3, 4, 725, 726, 727, 729, 729A, 730, 731, 732, and 733, shall be included in the said scheme, for the purpose of making it efficient for sanitary purposes, and for widening the existing approaches to the unhealthy area, or for opening out the same for the purposes of ventilation or health, but shall not be taken to form part of the unhealthy area.

(3.) Articles Two and Three of the said Provisional Order shall not be confirmed. But no part of the area to which the scheme relates shall be cleared of buildings until accommodation has been provided, either upon the land referred to in the resolution of the said authority passed on the fifth day of March one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, and set forth in the said order, or upon other land in the vicinity of the said area, and approved by the Local Government Board, for at least three hundred persons of the working class displaced in carrying the said scheme into execution :

When such accommodation has been provided, one tenth of the area to which the scheme relates may be cleared of buildings; but no further clearance shall take place until dwellings have been completed upon some part of the lands aforesaid, or on part of the said area, for the number of persons of the working class to be displaced by such clearance; and the same provision shall apply as regards the clearance of the remainder of the said area.

Short title.

**3.** This Act may be cited as the Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Artizans and Labourers Dwellings) Act, 1877.

# SCHEDULE.

## CITY OF NORWICH.

*Provisional Order for confirming an Improvement Scheme under the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act*, 1875.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Norwich, being the Urban Sanitary Authority for that City; —

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, provides for the making of schemes for the improvement of any areas in Urban Sanitary Districts in England containing, according to the last published Census, for the time being a population of twenty-five thousand and upwards, which are unfit for human habitation, and which, in the opinion of the Local Authorities for such Districts, are unhealthy areas within the meaning of that Act; and it provides that a Local Authority, on being satisfied by official representation, made in accordance with the provisions of that Act, that any such area is unfit for human habitation, and of the unhealthiness thereof, and of the sufficiency of their resources, shall pass a resolution to the effect that such area is an unhealthy area, and that an Improvement Scheme ought to be made in respect thereof, and shall, after passing such a resolution, forthwith proceed to make a scheme accordingly; and the said Act further provides that, in respect of each Urban Sanitary District, the Urban Sanitary Authority thereof shall be the Local Authority for the purposes of that Act;

And whereas the City of Norwich is an Urban Sanitary District, containing, according to the last published Census, a population of twenty-five thousand and upwards, and the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, acting by the Council, are the Urban Sanitary Authority of such District;

And whereas an official representation having been made to the said Urban Sanitary Authority, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, that the District situated in the Parish of Saint Paul, and immediately surrounding Saint Paul's Church and Saint Paul's Plain, and within the said Urban Sanitary District, together with certain of the houses, courts, and alleys therein, is unfit for human habitation, and that the sanitary defects in such area can only be effectually remedied by an Improvement Scheme such as is contemplated by the above-recited Act, and the Urban Sanitary Authority, being satisfied of the truth of such representation, and of the sufficiency of their resources, declared that the area described in the said representation is an unhealthy area, and directed an Improvement Scheme to be made in respect of such area;

And whereas the said Urban Sanitary Authority, after the passing of the said resolution, made an Improvement Scheme, accompanied by a map, plans, particulars, and estimates, which Scheme is to the following effect; that is to say:—

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## Improvement Scheme for St. Paul's Area.

It is proposed that the Urban Sanitary Authority for the said City shall acquire power under the above-mentioned Act to take compulsorily and deal with for the purposes of the Scheme all the lands, houses, and premises comprised within the broken and dotted blue marginal lines on the plan marked A. accompanying the said Scheme, a duplicate whereof has been deposited as herein-after mentioned.

The Scheme comprises the removal of the present buildings within the said blue marginal lines, and the laying-out, formation, and drainage of a new main street, together with the widening of certain existing streets and the formation of certain back streets, and such other street approaches, communications, alterations of level, stopping up, widening, or diversion of existing streets, and otherwise, as are shown on the plans accompanying the Scheme; it also provides for the appropriation of a portion of the unhealthy area for the erection of suitable dwellings for, or in some other manner for the accommodation of, at least as many of the working classes as will be from time to time displaced within such area.

The area included in the Scheme is about two acres, of this about thirteen thousand five hundred and three square feet is at present not built upon, and on this it is proposed to build the first set of cottages, so as to provide house accommodation for the persons displaced before removing any of the present tenements.

The churchyard, which contains about half an acre, is not included in the above area.

The present population is about five hundred and five.

The number of the houses is one hundred and forty-four.

The rateable value is six hundred pounds.

The area now covered by buildings is about forty-six thousand seven hundred and eighty-six square feet, and that covered by courts and alleys about thirty-three thousand four hundred and eighty-seven square feet.

The new main street will be thirty-six feet in width, and will be drained into the existing sewers, being provided with footpaths of six feet in width on each side, and being completely formed.

The gradient will be easy.

The present alleys round the churchyard, which are now only ten feet in width, will be widened to twenty feet, with a footpath on one side. The street called St. Paul's Opening will be widened to thirty feet, its present average width being only fifteen feet, thus continuing the line of the adjoining street.

The streets enclosing the area will remain as at present.

Comparative table of areas as at present arranged and as proposed to be arranged by the Scheme:

| | As at present. sq. ft. | As proposed. sq. ft. |
|---|---|---|
| Area covered with buildings - - | 46,786 | 43,702 |
| Area of yards, courts, alleys, and streets - | 33,487 | 50,074 |
| Area of unoccupied ground proposed to be first built upon - - - - | 13,503 | — |
| Population - - - - | 505 | 505 |
| | | c. ft. |
| Total cubic space of house room per head of population - - - | | 1,140 |
| Cubic feet of per head sleeping room - | | 520 |

Plain substantial roomy cottages, ventilated on two sides, are proposed to be built in rows to suit the arrangement of the different streets, with accommodation as therein shown in detail.

It is proposed to provide two ground-floor rooms and two of the bedrooms with fire places.

Each house will have a separate and distinct convenience, with a dust-bin to every pair of houses, and each house will also have a separate yard with a distinct drainage, and the rows of cottages will be separated at the back by a passage of twelve feet in width, and there will be a space of from thirty-six to forty-one feet between the backs of the houses themselves.

A supply of water will be laid on to each yard, and the Urban Sanitary Authority will enforce the construction and maintenance of all proper sanitary arrangements.

The estimated cost of the Scheme is as follows:

| | £ |
|---|---|
| Sites and Old Buildings - - - - | 9,000 |
| New Buildings - - - - - | 11,000 |
| Roads, Drainage, and Waterworks - - - | 800 |
| Total - | 20,800 |

And whereas the said Urban Sanitary Authority, having complied with the provisions contained in Section 6 of the above-recited Act with respect to the publication of an advertisement and the service of notices, presented a Petition to the Local Government Board, who are in that Act referred to as the "confirming Authority," praying that an Order might be made confirming such Scheme, which Petition was accompanied by a copy of the said Scheme, and a statement of the owners or reputed owners and lessees or reputed lessees who had dissented in respect of the taking of their lands, and was supported by such evidence as the Local Government Board required;

And whereas on consideration of the Petition, and on proof of the publication of the proper advertisements and the service of the proper notices, the Local Government Board thought fit to proceed with the case, and directed a Local Inquiry to be held, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the said Act;

And whereas upon a Local Inquiry being directed, an Inspector was sent by the Local Government Board to the area to which such Inquiry related, for the purpose of making an inquiry into the correctness of the official representation made to the said Urban Sanitary Authority as to such area being an unhealthy area, and into the sufficiency of the Scheme provided for its improvement, and into any local objections to such Scheme;

And whereas, before commencing such Inquiry, the Inspector made public, by advertisement, his intention to make such Inquiry, and stated the time and place at which he would be prepared to hear all persons desirous of being heard upon the subject thereof, in accordance with the provisions of Section 17 of the above-recited Act;

And whereas report has been made upon such Inquiry, and has been received by the Local Government Board:

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Now therefore, We, the Local Government Board, in pursuance of the powers given by the Statutes in that behalf, do, except as herein-after mentioned, but subject to the provisions of the said Act, hereby confirm the Improvement Scheme made by the Urban Sanitary Authority for the City of Norwich as aforesaid, and do hereby declare the limits of the area to which the said Scheme relates to be as follows; viz.:

The area situated in the Parish of Saint Paul, and comprised within the broken and dotted blue marginal lines on the plan of the said area marked A. accompanying the said Scheme, a duplicate of which plan has been deposited at the offices of the City Surveyor, Fishmarket, Norwich.

And We do hereby authorise such Scheme to be carried into execution as soon as this Order shall have been confirmed by Parliament, subject to the following conditions and modifications; viz.:

I. The plot of land numbered 145 on the said plan marked A. and duplicate shall be appropriated for the purpose of providing for the accommodation of the persons of the working class displaced in the area with respect to which the said Scheme relates.

II. No part of the area to which the said Scheme relates shall be cleared of buildings until accommodation shall have been provided by the said Urban Sanitary Authority upon the said plot for persons of the working class equal in number to at least one eighth of those displaced in carrying out the said Scheme.

III. When such accommodation has been provided, so much of the said area may be cleared of buildings as will be required for the provision of accommodation for a corresponding proportion of persons as aforesaid, but no further clearance shall take place until dwellings for that proportion have been completed, and the same provision shall apply as regards the clearance of the remainder of the said area.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this Sixteenth day of May, in the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

G. Sclater-Booth, President.

(L.S.) John Lambert, Secretary.

## BOROUGH OF WALSALL.



*Provisional Order for confirming an Improvement Scheme under the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act*, 1875.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Walsall, in the County of Stafford, being the Urban Sanitary Authority for that Borough;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, provides for the making of schemes for the improvement of any areas in Urban Sanitary Districts in England containing, according to the last published Census, for the time being a population of twenty-five thousand and upwards, which are unfit for human habitation, and which, in the opinion of the Local Authorities for such Districts, are unhealthy areas within the meaning of that Act; and it provides that a Local Authority, on being satisfied by official representation, made in accordance with the provisions of that Act, that any such area is unfit for human habitation, and of the unhealthiness thereof, shall pass a resolution to the effect that such area is an unhealthy area, and that an Improvement Scheme ought to be made in respect thereof, and shall, after passing such a resolution, forthwith proceed to make a scheme accordingly; and the said Act further provides that, in respect of each Urban Sanitary District, the Urban Sanitary Authority thereof shall be the Local Authority for the purposes of that Act;

And whereas the Borough of Walsall, in the County of Stafford, is an Urban Sanitary District, containing, according to the last published Census, a population of twenty-five thousand and upwards, and the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, acting by the Council, are the Urban Sanitary Authority of such District;

And whereas an official representation having been made to the said Urban Sanitary Authority, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, that the houses, courts, and alleys within a certain area adjoining Townend Bank, Marsh Lane, Wolverhampton Street, and Shaws Leasowe, within the said Urban Sanitary District, are unfit for human habitation, and that the evils connected with such houses, courts, and alleys, and the sanitary defects in such area, cannot be effectually remedied otherwise than by an Improvement Scheme for the re-arrangement and re-construction of the streets and houses within the said area, and the Urban Sanitary Authority, being satisfied of the truth of such representation, and of the sufficiency of their resources, have resolved that the area described in the said representation is an unhealthy area, and directed an Improvement Scheme to be made in respect of such area;

And whereas the said Urban Sanitary Authority, after the passing of the said resolution, made an Improvement Scheme, accompanied by plans, particulars, and estimates, which Scheme is as follows:—

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" Borough of Walsall.

" Scheme for the improvement of the area comprised in the Official Representation " dated the Fifth day of September, 1876, made to the Mayor, Aldermen, and " Burgesses of the Borough of Walsall, acting by the Council, as the " Urban Sanitary Authority thereof, by James Maclachlan, Esquire, M.D., " the Medical Officer of Health of the said Urban Sanitary Authority.

" The area above mentioned is distinguished on the plan marked No. 1 annexed " hereto, and is thereon enclosed by a dotted blue line.

" It is proposed to acquire compulsorily all the lands, houses, and buildings within " such area (except such parts thereof as are now used as public streets or roads), and " also such of the buildings and land adjoining the said area as are distinguished in " the said plan by the colours green, striped brown, purple, and yellow, and marked " respectively W, X, Y, and Z, and to pull down and remove the whole of the said " houses and buildings.

" It is also proposed to form a new street of the width of thirty-six feet between " Wolverhampton Street and Marsh Lane, starting at the point marked A on the said " plan, and terminating at the point marked B thereon.

" It is also proposed to widen the public road called Shaws Leasowe, at the " southern part thereof, by adding to the said road the land distinguished by the " colour red, and to continue the same road into Green Lane by a public footpath of " the width of twenty feet, between the points marked C and D on the said plan.

" It is also proposed to form a new street of the width of thirty feet between the " points marked C and E on the said plan.

" It is also proposed to widen the southern parts or ends of the public streets called " Wolverhampton Street, Green Lane, and Stafford Street, and the public roads or " streets near to such southern ends, by adding to the said streets and roads respectively " the lands adjoining or near thereto, distinguished by the colour red on the said plan.

" It is proposed to sell the several plots of land distinguished by the colour blue on " the said plan, and also the land coloured green, striped brown, purple, and yellow, " and marked respectively W, X, Y, and Z thereon, and for that purpose to stop up " and extinguish all rights, whether public or private, of passing over such parts " thereof as are now used as roads or streets.

" And it is proposed to provide for the accommodation of at least three hundred and " forty-two persons of the working class in suitable dwellings, to be erected on a piece " of land, to be taken compulsorily, situate in the vicinity of the said area, and lying " between Regent Street and Blue Lane West, containing two acres two roods and " thirty-one perches or thereabouts, distinguished on the plan marked No. 2 hereto " annexed by a purple edging, and it is proposed to lay out on such land such public " street or streets as the said Urban Sanitary Authority may think fit.

" And for the purpose of providing proper sanitary arrangements it is intended to " re-sell all lands which shall be acquired under the provisions of this Scheme, subject " to the following stipulations; namely,

" (*a.*) That all buildings shall be so placed as to secure light and air to two sides " of each building or dwelling, and shall be constructed in such manner as to " secure through ventilation.

" (*b.*) That each dwelling-house shall be supplied with water, and shall have a " separate closet.

" (*c.*) That no such building shall be occupied until the new streets and roads upon " which the same abut shall have been efficiently sewered and paved or " metalled to the satisfaction of the Local Authority.

" The following is an estimate of the cost of carrying the Scheme into execution; " viz.:—

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| " Total cost of the property to be acquired for the purposes of " this Scheme, including the cost of surveying, arbitration, " printing, alteration of streets, new streets, diversion of sewers, " gas mains, and water mains, parliamentary and other legal " charges, and estimated loss during the unproductive period - | 17,000 | 0 | 0 |
| " Less estimated value of the land which will be available for " re-sale - - - - - - - | 6,490 | 0 | 0 |
| " Total net cost - | £10,510 | 0 | 0 |

" Walsall, (Signed) Thomas Checkley,
" October 30th, 1876. Mayor."

And whereas the said Urban Sanitary Authority, having complied with the provisions contained in Section 6 of the above-recited Act with respect to the publication of an advertisement and the service of notices, presented a Petition to the Local Government Board, who are in that Act referred to as the "confirming Authority," praying that an Order might be made confirming such Scheme, which Petition was accompanied by a copy of the said Scheme, and a statement of the owners or reputed owners and lessees or reputed lessees who had dissented in respect of the taking of their lands, and was supported by such evidence as the Local Government Board required;

And whereas on consideration of the Petition, and on proof of the publication of the proper advertisements and the service of the proper notices, the Local Government Board thought fit to proceed with the case, and directed a Local Inquiry to be held, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the said Act;

And whereas upon a Local Inquiry being directed, an Inspector was sent by the Local Government Board to the area to which such Inquiry related, for the purpose of making an inquiry into the correctness of the official representation made to the said Urban Sanitary Authority as to such area being an unhealthy area, and into the sufficiency of the Scheme provided for its improvement, and into any local objections to such Scheme;

And whereas, before commencing such Inquiry, the Inspector made public, by advertisement, his intention to make such Inquiry, and stated the time and place at which he would be prepared to hear all persons desirous of being heard upon the subject thereof, in accordance with the provisions of Section 17 of the above-recited Act;

And whereas report has been made upon such Inquiry, and has been received by the Local Government Board;

And whereas the Local Government Board find that the area described in the said representation, and which is enclosed by the dotted blue line on the plan No. 1 accompanying the said Scheme, duplicates of which plan have been deposited at the Town Weighing Machine Office, within the limits of the said area, and at the office of the Town Clerk of the Borough of Walsall, in the vicinity of such area, is an unhealthy area within the meaning of the said Act; that the areas coloured purple, green, striped brown, and yellow on the said

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plan No. 1 and duplicates are necessary to be included in the said Scheme for making it efficient for sanitary purposes, and for widening the existing approaches to the unhealthy area, or opening out the same for the purposes of ventilation or health; and that the area edged purple on the plan No. 2 accompanying the said Scheme, duplicates of which plan have been deposited as aforesaid, is required for the purpose of providing for the accommodation of the persons of the working class displaced in the unhealthy area, the number of whom it is estimated will be six hundred or thereabouts:

Now therefore, We, the Local Government Board, in pursuance of the powers given by the Statutes in that behalf, do, except as herein-after mentioned, but subject to the provisions of the said Act, hereby confirm the Improvement Scheme made by the Urban Sanitary Authority for the Borough of Walsall as aforesaid, and do hereby declare the limits of the areas to which the said Scheme relates to be as follows; viz.:

The area enclosed by the dotted blue line, and the areas coloured purple, green, striped brown, and yellow on the said plan No. 1 and the duplicates thereof, and the area edged purple on the said plan No. 2 and the duplicates thereof.

And We do hereby authorise such Scheme to be carried into execution as soon as this Order shall have been confirmed by Parliament, subject to the following conditions and modifications; viz.:

I. The area inclosed by the dotted blue line on the said plan No. 1 shall be taken to represent the whole of the unhealthy area, and the areas coloured purple, green, striped brown, and yellow on the said plan shall be included in the said Scheme, for the purpose of making it efficient for sanitary purposes, and for widening the existing approaches to the unhealthy area, or for opening out the same for the purposes of ventilation or health.

II. The area edged purple on the said plan No. 2 shall be included in the said Scheme, for the purpose of providing for the accommodation of the persons of the working class displaced in the unhealthy area, and such area shall be set aside and appropriated for the purpose of providing such accommodation accordingly.

III. The areas coloured striped-brown and yellow on the said plan No. 1 shall not be purchased compulsorily.

IV. The area marked P on the said plan No. 1 shall be left open and unbuilt upon.

V. No part of the unhealthy area shall be cleared of buildings until accommodation shall have been provided by the said Urban Sanitary Authority, on the area edged purple on the said plan No. 2, for at least five hundred persons of the working class.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this Twelfth day of May, in the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

G. Sclater-Booth, President.

(L.S.) John Lambert, Secretary.

## BOROUGH OF WOLVERHAMPTON.

A.D. 1877.

*Provisional Order for confirming an Improvement Scheme under the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act*, 1875.

To the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Wolverhampton, in the County of Stafford, being the Urban Sanitary Authority for that Borough;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

WHEREAS the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, provides for the making of schemes for the improvement of any areas in Urban Sanitary Districts in England containing, according to the last published Census, for the time being a population of twenty-five thousand and upwards, which are unfit for human habitation, and which, in the opinion of the Local Authorities for such Districts, are unhealthy areas within the meaning of that Act; and it provides that a Local Authority, on being satisfied by official representation, made in accordance with the provisions of that Act, that any such area is unfit for human habitation, and of the unhealthiness thereof, shall pass a resolution to the effect that such area is an unhealthy area, and that an Improvement Scheme ought to be made in respect thereof, and shall, after passing such a resolution, forthwith proceed to make a scheme accordingly; and the said Act further provides that, in respect of each Urban Sanitary District, the Urban Sanitary Authority thereof shall be the Local Authority for the purposes of that Act;

And whereas the Borough of Wolverhampton, in the County of Stafford, is an Urban Sanitary District, containing, according to the last published Census, a population of twenty-five thousand and upwards, and the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, acting by the Council, are the Urban Sanitary Authority of such District;

And whereas an official representation having been made to the said Urban Sanitary Authority, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, that many of the houses, courts, and alleys within a certain area comprising portions of Saint Peter's and Saint Mary's Wards, within the said Urban Sanitary District, are unfit for human habitation, and that the evils connected with such houses, courts, and alleys, and the sanitary defects in such area, cannot be effectually remedied otherwise than by an Improvement Scheme for the re-arrangement and re-construction of the streets and houses within the said area, and the Urban Sanitary Authority, being satisfied of the truth of such representation, and of the sufficiency of their resources, have resolved that the area described in the said representation is an unhealthy area, and directed an Improvement Scheme to be made in respect of such area;

And whereas the said Urban Sanitary Authority, after the passing of the said resolution, made an Improvement Scheme, accompanied by plans, particulars, and estimates, which Scheme is as follows:—

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" Borough of Wolverhampton.

" Scheme made by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of " Wolverhampton, acting by the Council, as the Local Authority under The " Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875, for the improve- " ment of an unhealthy area within the said Borough."

" 1. This Scheme may be cited as 'The Wolverhampton Improvement Scheme, " 1876.'

" 2. In this Scheme 'the Borough' means the Borough of Wolverhampton; 'the " Corporation' means the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough; 'the " Town Clerk' and 'the Surveyor' means respectively the Town Clerk and the " Surveyor of the Borough; and the 'map' means the map which accompanies this " Scheme.

" 3. The unhealthy area included in this Scheme is the area delineated and indicated " on the plan. A duplicate of the map is deposited at the office of the Town Clerk; " and copies of the map or any part or parts thereof certified by the Surveyor shall be " received in all Courts of Justice, or elsewhere, as evidence of the contents thereof " respectively.

" 4. The Corporation may enter on, take compulsorily, and deal with, for the " purposes of this Scheme, all or any of the lands described in the Schedule hereto " and delineated on the maps.

" 5. The Corporation may lay out, form, pave, sewer, and complete such streets, " approaches, communications, alterations of level, stopping up, widening, or diversion " of existing streets, and otherwise, as may hereafter be determined by the Corporation " to be necessary or proper for the purposes of the Scheme.

" 6. The Corporation may from time to time appropriate any parts of the unhealthy " area for the erection of suitable dwellings for persons of the working class; and they " shall provide, either by the appropriation of some parts of the unhealthy area, and " by securing the erection of suitable dwellings thereon, or in some other manner, for " the accommodation of at least as many persons of the working class as will be from " time to time displaced within the unhealthy area.

" 7. All dwelling-houses to be erected in accordance with this Scheme shall be " well and substantially built, and shall be so situated and constructed as to secure " efficient ventilation, and shall be furnished with a proper water supply, and with " proper drainage and other sanitary appliances and apparatus, to the satisfaction of " the Corporation; and the Corporation shall enforce the execution and maintenance " of all other proper sanitary arrangements within the area and site shown on the " maps.

" 8. The Corporation shall, as soon as practicable after the passing of the Act " authorising this Scheme, proceed to carry the same into execution, but they may " from time to time purchase and deal with parts of the lands within the unhealthy " area without being required to purchase and deal with the whole of the lands within " that area.

" 9. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Scheme the Corporation may, " where they think it expedient so to do without themselves acquiring the lands which " they are authorised to take, or after or subject to their acquiring any part thereof, " contract with the person entitled to the first estate of freehold in any land comprised " in this Scheme for the carrying out of the Scheme in respect of such land by such " persons.

" 10. The expenses of the execution of this Scheme (so far as they are not defrayed " out of receipts of the Corporation, pursuant to The Artizans and Labourers Dwellings

" Improvement Act, 1875,) and the costs, charges, and expenses preliminary to, and
" of, and incidental to the preparation of this Scheme, and the application for the Order
" confirming the same, and the obtaining the confirmation by Parliament of such
" Order, shall be paid by the Corporation out of all or any of the local rates as
" defined by the said Act (section twenty-one), or out of moneys borrowed in
" pursuance of the said Act.

(L.S.)

" H. Underhill,
" Town Clerk."

And whereas the estimated cost of carrying the said Scheme into effect is as follows; viz.,—

" Borough of Wolverhampton.

" Estimate of cost of a Scheme to be made by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of
" the Borough of Wolverhampton, acting by the Council, as the Local Authority under
" 'The Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875,' for the improve-
" ment of an unhealthy area within the said Borough.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| " Total cost of acquiring the whole of the land and buildings " within the unhealthy area - - - - | | | | 162,307 | 0 | 0 |
| " Less :— | | | | | | |
| " Estimated value of surplus lands after laying " out new streets as shown on the ac- " companying plan - - - | 107,000 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| " Additional compensation from the London " and North-western Railway Company - | 10,000 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | 117,000 | 0 | 0 |
| " Net cost of carrying out Scheme - | | | | 45,307 | 0 | 0 |

" A further capitalized sum of £29,891 5*s.* 0*d.* may fairly be estimated as the " increased rateable value of new properties to be built on the area.

(Signed) " A. Morgan,
" Borough Surveyor.
" H. Underhill,
" Town Clerk."

" 4th July, 1876.

(L.S.)

And whereas the said Urban Sanitary Authority, having complied with the provisions contained in Section 6 of the above-recited Act with respect to the publication of an advertisement and the service of notices, presented a Petition to the Local Government Board, who are in that Act referred to as the "confirming Authority," praying that an Order might be made confirming such Scheme, which Petition was accompanied by a copy of the said Scheme, and a statement of the owners or reputed owners and lessees or reputed lessees who had dissented in respect of the taking of their lands, and was supported by such evidence as the Local Government Board required;

And whereas after the presentation of the said Petition as aforesaid the said Urban Sanitary Authority on the Fifth day of March, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, passed a further Resolution containing additional particulars and details with respect to the said Scheme and accompanied by additional plans, which Resolution is as follows:—

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"Wolverhampton Improvement Scheme.

"Resolved,—

"That the following additional particulars and plans shewing the manner in which "the area to which the Scheme of the Wolverhampton Corporation, acting by the "Council as the Local Authority under the 'Artizans and Labourers Dwellings "Improvement Act, 1875,' relates will be dealt with, be and the same are hereby "approved and adopted, and the Town Clerk be and is hereby instructed to request "the Local Government Board, if they think it necessary, in granting the Provisional "Order under the said Act to modify the said Scheme in accordance with such "additional particulars and plans.

"Wolverhampton Improvement Scheme.

"Additional particulars submitted by the Corporation of the Borough of Wolver-"hampton, acting by the Council as the Local Authority under the 'Artizans and "Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875,' shewing the manner in which the "land to which the Scheme relates, will be dealt with.

"The following streets will be made through the area comprised within the "Scheme:—

"1. A main street from Queen Square extending easterly to Railway Street, having "a roadway not less than thirty-five feet in width, and footways on either side "not less than ten feet in width.

"2. A street from Stafford Street, running easterly to Carribee Street, and there "joining Montrose Street, having a roadway not less than twenty-four feet in "width, and footways on either side not less than six feet in width.

"3. A street from Stafford Street aforesaid, running easterly to Carribee Street "aforesaid, and there joining Saint Mary Street, having a roadway not less "than twenty-four feet in width, and footways on either side not less than six "feet in width.

"4. A street from Canal Street, running northerly and crossing at right angles the "two last-named streets, having a roadway not less than twenty-four feet in "width, and footways on either side not less than six feet in width.

"5. A street from Little Bury Street, running northerly and crossing at right "angles the above street, Number 1, into Canal Street, having a roadway not "less than twenty-four feet in width, and footways on either side not less than "six feet in width.

"6. The following streets will be widened and improved both as to their roadways "and footways; namely, Littles Lane, Stafford Street, Canal Street, Horse "Fair, Saint Peter's Close, Berry Street, Little Berry Street, Princess Street, "and Railway Street.

"The whole of the streets so to be made and widened are shown upon the plan "marked "A" annexed hereto, upon which they are coloured blue.

"To effectually open up the area to which the Scheme relates by making and "widening the above-named streets will require the demolition of all such buildings "within the area as are in an insanitary condition.

"The details of the plan which the Corporation propose to adopt for providing "accommodation for persons of the working class who will be displaced in the area are "as follows:

"It is proposed to sell or lease in lots the pieces of land coloured brown upon the "said plan marked "A," under the condition that on the said pieces of land one

" hundred and ten houses shall be erected for persons of the working class, each " such house to be built in accordance with all the sanitary requirements contained " in the Wolverhampton Improvement Act, 1869, and in any Public Act of " Parliament relating to public health.

" Conditionally on the Scheme receiving the sanction of Parliament the Corporation " have agreed to purchase the land edged with the colours pink, green, and purple on " the plan hereunto annexed marked "B."

" The land referred to in the said plan marked " B " is in the vicinity of the area " drawn on the said plan marked " A."

" Upon the land in the plan marked " B " it is proposed to lay out streets in the " manner shown on the said plan and thereon coloured blue, and to sell or lease in lots " the surplus of the said land under the condition that thereon shall be erected two " hundred and eighty houses for persons of the working class, each such house to be " built in accordance with all the sanitary requirements contained in the Wolver- " hampton Improvement Act, 1869, and in any Public Act of Parliament relating to " public health.

(L.S.) " (Signed) H. Underhill,
" Town Clerk."

And whereas on consideration of the Petition and of such further Resolution as aforesaid, and on proof of the publication of the proper advertisements, and the service of the proper notices, the Local Government Board thought fit to proceed with the case, and directed a Local Inquiry to be held, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the said Act;

And whereas upon a Local Inquiry being directed, an Inspector was sent by the Local Government Board to the area to which such Inquiry related, for the purpose of making an inquiry into the correctness of the official representation made to the said Urban Sanitary Authority as to such area being an unhealthy area, and into the sufficiency of the Scheme provided for its improvement, and into any local objections to such Scheme;

And whereas, before commencing such Inquiry, the Inspector made public, by advertisement, his intention to make such Inquiry, and stated the time and place at which he would be prepared to hear all persons desirous of being heard upon the subject thereof, in accordance with the provisions of Section 17 of the above-recited Act;

And whereas report has been made upon such Inquiry, and has been received by the Local Government Board;

And whereas the Local Government Board find that the area described in the said representation, and which is enclosed by the dotted red line on the plan accompanying the said Scheme, (a duplicate of which plan has been deposited at the office of the Town Clerk of the Borough of Wolverhampton, in the vicinity of such area,) with the exception of the lands and premises comprised therein and next herein-after referred to, is an unhealthy area within the meaning of the said Act; that the lands and premises Nod. 642 to 657, both inclusive, 673 to 678, both inclusive, 719, 723, 734 to 740, both inclusive, 755, 785, 786, 786A, 791, 792, 792A, and 817 to 831B, both inclusive, on the said plan and duplicate are necessary to be included in the said Scheme for making it efficient for sanitary purposes, and for widening the

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existing approaches to the unhealthy area, or opening out the same for the purposes of ventilation or health:

Now therefore, We, the Local Government Board, in pursuance of the powers given by the Statutes in that behalf, do, except as herein-after mentioned, but subject to the provisions of the said Act, hereby confirm the Improvement Scheme as further particularised by the above-recited Resolution of the said Urban Sanitary Authority passed on the Fifth day of March, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, made by the Urban Sanitary Authority for the Borough of Wolverhampton as aforesaid, and do hereby declare the limits of the area to which the said Scheme relates to be as follows; viz.:

The area enclosed by the dotted red line on the plan accompanying the said Scheme and on the duplicate thereof.

And We do hereby authorise such Scheme as further particularised as aforesaid to be carried into execution as soon as this Order shall have been confirmed by Parliament, subject to the following conditions and further modifications; viz.:

I. The area enclosed by the dotted red line on the said plan, with the exception of the lands and premises comprised therein and next herein-after referred to, shall be taken to represent the whole of the unhealthy area, and the lands and premises Nod. 642 to 657, both inclusive, 673 to 678, both inclusive, 719, 723, 734 to 740, both inclusive, 755, 785, 786, 786A, 791, 792, 792A, and 817 to 831B, both inclusive, on the said plan shall be included in the said Scheme for the purpose of making it efficient for sanitary purposes, and for widening the existing approaches to the unhealthy area, or for opening out the same for the purposes of ventilation or health.

II. No part of the area to which the said Scheme relates shall be cleared of buildings until accommodation shall have been provided by the said Urban Sanitary Authority upon the land referred to in the above-recited Resolution of the said Urban Sanitary Authority dated the Fifth day of March, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, and situate at Springfield, for at least three hundred persons of the working class displaced in carrying out the said Scheme.

III. When such accommodation has been provided, one tenth of the said area may be cleared of buildings, but no further clearance shall take place until dwellings have been completed, either on the last-mentioned land, or on part of the area to which the Scheme relates, for the number of persons of the working class to be displaced by such clearance, and the same provision shall apply as regards the clearance of the remainder of the said area.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this Fifth day of June, in the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

G. Sclater-Booth, President.

(L.S.) John Lambert, Secretary.

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