# CHAPTER xxxviii.

An Act to confer further powers on the company of proprietors of the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Navigation. A.D. 1924.

[14th July 1924.]

WHEREAS by the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Acts 1766 to 1903 the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Company (in this Act called "the Company") were authorised to construct and maintain a canal in the counties of Worcester and Stafford to connect the River Severn with the Trent and Mersey Canal:

And whereas it is expedient that such further powers as are in this Act set forth should be conferred upon the Company:

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be attained without the authority of Parliament:

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 and collective titles.

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Act 1924 and the Staffordshire and

A.D. 1924.

Worcestershire Canal Acts 1766 to 1903 and this Act may be cited together as the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal Acts 1766 to 1924.

Definition.

**2.** In this Act "the Committee" shall mean the Committee for managing the affairs of the Company provided for by section 30 of the Act 6 Geo. III. cap. 97 as amended by this Act.

Number of members of Committee.

**3.** Notwithstanding anything contained in section 30 of the Act 6 Geo. III. cap. 97 the number of members of the Committee shall be eleven but the Company may vary the number provided that the number shall not at any time be more than twelve nor less than seven and the Company may from time to time determine what shall be the quorum for meetings of the Committee.

Annual general meeting of Company.

**4.** Notwithstanding anything in the Companies Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 or in any other Act relating to the Company the ordinary general meeting of the Company shall be held in each year in the month of March or at such other times and at such place as the Committee may from time to time appoint and it shall not be obligatory on the Company to hold half-yearly meetings or to balance their accounts or to make up a balance sheet half-yearly and so much of section 30 of the Act 6 Geo. III. cap. 97 as provides for half-yearly meetings of the Company and the number of the members of such Committee is hereby repealed.

Amendment of Section 24 of Act of 1843.

**5.** Section 24 of the Act 6 Vict. cap. v. shall be read as if there were substituted for the word "nine" wherever it appears in that section such number as is for the time being the number of the members to form a quorum for meetings of the Committee.

Remuneration of Committee.

**6.** The remuneration of the members of the Committee shall be such as the Company in general meeting may from time to time determine and for this purpose members of the Committee shall be deemed to be directors of the Company but such remuneration shall be determined on the basis of the number of attendances of such members at meetings of the Committee.

Accounts to be furnished to

**7.** The Company shall in every year within three months after the close of their financial year or such longer

period as the Minister of Transport may allow furnish to the Minister of Transport a copy of the annual accounts of their canal undertaking.

Minister of Transport.

**8.** All costs charges and expenses of and incident to the preparing for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company.

Costs of Act.

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