

ELIZABETH II



1969 CHAPTER XXIX

to increase the borrowing powers of the Bristol Clifton and West of England Zoological Society; and other purposes. [25th June 1969]

WHEREAS

By an Indenture made the 12th day of June 1837 (hereinafter called "the Deed of Constitution") the parties thereto and several other persons becoming members as therein mentioned associated together as a zoological society under the title Bristol Clifton and West of England Zoological Society the objects of the Society were declared to be the collection, preservation and exhibition in the gardens of the Society of animals and the promotion of the science of zoology and the more extended knowledge and study of the animal kingdom by the introduction of new and curious specimens to the Society.

Under the Deed of Constitution the property real and personal of the Society including the zoological gardens situated in the city and county of Bristol is vested in and held on behalf of the Society:

(3) Under the Deed of Constitution the general regulation of the Society was (subject to the control of the general meeting of the members) vested in a committee, which committee under the rules and regulations of the Society subsequently replaced by a council consisting of members of the Society and nominees of the University of Bristol:

1901 c. ix.

(4) The Deed of Constitution contained provisions conferring and imposing upon the trustees of the Society certain powers and requirements in relation to the borrowing of money, which provisions were repealed by the Bristol Clifton and West of England Zoological Society's Act 1901 and replaced by a power for the said trustees, if directed so to do by the aforesaid committee, at any time or times to borrow at interest any sum or sums of money and to make and execute any mortgage, debenture or other instrument charging all or any of the real and personal property of the Society with repayment of the sum or sums borrowed, but so that the amount at any one time or in respect of moneys so borrowed shall not exceed the total sum of twenty thousand pounds:

(5) By rules and regulations adopted at special meetings of the Society held on various dates in 1946 and 1950 the principal object of the Society was declared to be to promote the study of zoology, arboriculture and horticulture, and certain objects incidental thereto were prescribed, including the objects of purchasing, establishing and equipping gardens and zoological parks and nursery gardens at such places other than Clifton as the Society shall from time to time determine:

(6) To enable the Society properly to discharge its duties and also to establish, develop and maintain a new zoological park and gardens at the Hollywood Tower Estate on the outskirts of Bristol, complementary to the said zoological gardens at Clifton, it is expedient that the limit on the power of the Society to borrow moneys be raised as provided in this Act:

(7) It is expedient that the said Act of 1901 be amended in this Act provided:

(8) The purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted, by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty in 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:—

Short and
collective
titles.

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Bristol Clifton and West of England Zoological Society Act 1969.

The Bristol Clifton and West of England Zoological Society's Act 1901 and this Act may be cited together as the Bristol Clifton and West of England Zoological Society Acts 1901 c. ix. and 1969.

Section 2 (New provision as to borrowing powers of Society) Increase of borrowing powers.
Bristol Clifton and West of England Zoological Society's shall have effect as if—

there were inserted, after the word "Committee", the words "or any other body in whom the functions of the Committee may be vested by virtue of byelaws, rules or regulations made under the Deed of Constitution";

or the words "shall not (together with the said sum of four thousand pounds) exceed the total sum of twenty thousand pounds" there were substituted the words "shall not exceed five hundred thousand pounds".

The costs, charges and expenses preliminary to and of and to the preparing, obtaining and passing of this Act shall be paid by the Society. Costs of Act.

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