



**CHAPTER cxxxvi.**

An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Widnes. [16th August 1920.] A.D. 1920. —

**W**HEREAS the Minister of Health has made the Provisional Order 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 Order should be confirmed by Parliament:

Be it therefore 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:—

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

2. This Act may be cited as the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Widnes Extension) Act 1920. Short title.

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SCHEDULE.

BOROUGH OF WIDNES.

*Widnes  
Order.*

*Provisional Order made in pursuance of the Local Government  
Act 1888 for extending a Borough.*

To the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of  
Widnes;—

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

To the County Council of the County Palatine of Lancaster;—

To the Rural District Council of Warrington;—

To the Rural District Council of Whiston;—

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

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

To the Parish Councils of Ditton Halewood and Tarbock;—

To the Chairman of the Parish Meeting of the Township of  
Cuerdley;—

To the Overseers of the Poor of each of the Townships of  
Cuerdley Ditton Halewood Tarbock and Widnes with  
Appleton;—

And to all others whom it may concern.

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c. 41. WHEREAS by Section 54 of the Local Government Act 1888 the  
Minister of Health is empowered to make a Provisional Order for  
altering the boundary of any Borough and by such Order to divide or  
alter any electoral division;

And whereas the Borough of Widnes in the County Palatine of  
Lancaster is a Borough within the meaning of the Local Government  
Act 1888 and the inhabitants are a body corporate by the name of  
the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Widnes and  
act by the Council of the said Borough which now consists of the  
Mayor (who is also an Alderman) five other Aldermen and eighteen  
Councillors and the said Borough is for the purpose of the election  
of Councillors divided into six wards termed respectively the Farnworth  
Ward the Halton Ward the Simm's Cross Ward the Victoria Ward  
the Waterloo Ward and the West Bank Ward;

And whereas the said Borough is co-extensive with the Township  
of Widnes with Appleton and is an Urban District of which the

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And whereas the said Borough is included in the Prescot Petty Sessional Division of the County Palatine of Lancaster;

And whereas in pursuance of the Education Act 1902 the Council of the said Borough are the local education authority for the purposes of Part III. of that Act and the Council of the County Palatine of Lancaster are the local education authority for the other purposes of that Act;

And whereas the unrepealed provisions of the Local Acts specified in Part I. of Schedule A. to this Order and of the Confirmation Acts specified in Part II. of the said schedule so far as the last-mentioned Acts relate to the Orders specified in that schedule are in force in the said Borough;

And whereas the provisions of—

(a) The Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act 1890;

(b) The Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1890; and

(c) The Public Libraries Acts 1892 to 1919;

are in force in the said Borough;

53 & 54 Vict.  
c. 34.

53 & 54 Vict.  
c. 59.

55 & 56 Vict. c. 53.  
56 Vict. c. 11.  
1 Edw. 7. c. 19.  
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. 93.

And whereas the Townships of Ditton and Halewood in the County Palatine of Lancaster immediately adjoin the said Borough and the Township of Tarbock in the said County immediately adjoins the Township of Ditton and all those Townships are contributory places in the Rural District of Whiston and are subject to the jurisdiction of the Rural District Council of Whiston and two Rural District Councillors are elected for the Township of Ditton two Rural District Councillors are elected for the Township of Halewood and one Rural District Councillor is elected for the Township of Tarbock;

And whereas the Township of Cuerdley in the County Palatine of Lancaster immediately adjoins the said Borough and that Township is a contributory place in the Rural District of Warrington and one Rural District Councillor is elected for the said Township;

And whereas the Township of Cuerdley is included in the Warrington Petty Sessional Division of the County Palatine of Lancaster;

And whereas the provisions of the Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act 1890 are in force in the Rural District of Warrington and the provisions of Part III. of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1890 which are applicable to Rural Districts are in force in the Rural District of Whiston;

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3 & 4 Will. 4.  
c. 90.

And whereas the provisions of the Lighting and Watching Act 1833 are in force in the Township of Halewood;

And whereas the Townships of Widnes with Appleton Ditton Halewood and Tarbock are included in the Prescot Union and the Township of Widnes with Appleton is for the purposes of the election of Guardians divided into six wards which are respectively co-extensive with and bear the same names as the municipal wards of the said Borough and one Guardian is elected for each of the said wards and the two Rural District Councillors elected for the Township of Ditton the two Rural District Councillors elected for the Township of Halewood and the Rural District Councillor elected for the Township of Tarbock are the representatives of those townships respectively on the Board of Guardians of the said Union;

And whereas the Township of Cuerdley is included in the Warrington Union and the Rural District Councillor elected for that township is the representative of the township on the Board of Guardians of the said Union;

56 & 57 Vict.  
c. 73.

And whereas the Townships of Ditton Halewood and Tarbock are rural parishes within the meaning of the Local Government Act 1894 for which Parish Councils have been or are entitled to be established;

And whereas in pursuance of the Education Act 1902 the Townships of Cuerdley Ditton and Halewood form part of the area of the County Council of the County Palatine of Lancaster as the local education authority;

And whereas two County Councillors for the County Palatine of Lancaster are apportioned to the said Borough and the said Borough has accordingly been divided into two electoral divisions which are named respectively the Widnes North Electoral Division and the Widnes South Electoral Division the Township of Cuerdley is included in the Winwick Electoral Division of the said County and the Townships of Ditton Halewood and Tarbock are included in the Whiston Electoral Division of the said County:

51 & 52 Vict.  
c. 41.

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

Definitions.

Art. I. In this Order—

- (1) The expression "the commencement of this Order" means the Ninth day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty;

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- (2) The expression "the existing Borough" means the Borough of Widnes as it existed immediately prior to the commencement of this Order;
- (3) The expression "the Borough" means the existing Borough as extended by this Order;
- (4) The expression "the Minister" means the Minister of Health;
- (5) The expression "the Corporation" means as the context requires the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the existing Borough or of the Borough acting by the Council;
- (6) The expressions "the County" and "the County Council" mean respectively the County Palatine of Lancaster and the County Council of that County;
- (7) The expressions "the Warrington District" and "the Warrington Council" mean respectively the Rural District of Warrington and the Rural District Council of that District and the expressions "the Whiston District" and "the Whiston Council" mean respectively the Rural District of Whiston and the Rural District Council of that District;
- (8) The expression "the Borough maps" means the two maps each marked "Map of the Borough of Widnes as extended 1920" and sealed with the official seal of the Minister;
- (9) The expression "the added areas" means the part of the Warrington District and the parts of the Whiston District added to the existing Borough by this Order;
- (10) The expression "the added part of Cuerdley" means the part of that Township which is coloured brown and blue on the Borough maps the expressions "the added part of Ditton" and "the added part of Halewood" mean respectively the parts of those Townships which are coloured green and yellow on the Borough maps and the expression "the excluded part of Ditton" means the remaining part of the Township of Ditton;
- (11) The expressions "the existing Township of Cuerdley" "the existing Township of Ditton" "the existing Township of Halewood" and "the existing Township of Widnes with Appleton" mean in each case the Township as it existed immediately prior to the commencement of this Order and the expressions "the Township of Cuerdley" "the Township of Halewood" and "the Township of Widnes" mean in each case the Township as altered by this Order;

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(12) The expressions "the Act of 1888" and "the Act of 1894" mean respectively the Local Government Act 1888 and the Local Government Act 1894;

(13) The expression "the Municipal Corporations Acts" means the Municipal Corporations Act 1882 and the Acts amending and extending the same and the expression "the Public Health Acts" means the Public Health Act 1875 and the Acts amending and extending the same;

(14) The expression "the Act of 1907" means the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907.

Commence-  
ment of  
Order.

Art. II. 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 Ninth day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty:

Date of  
operation  
of Order for  
election &c.

Provided that for the purposes of all proceedings preliminary or relating to any municipal election to be held on the ordinary day of election in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty and of the revision of the basis or standard of the county rate of the County this Order shall operate from the date of the Act of Parliament confirming this Order.

Extension of  
Borough.

Art. III.—(1) The boundary of the existing Borough the area whereof is coloured pink on the Borough maps shall be altered so as to include in addition to that area so much of the Warrington District as comprises the added part of Cuerdley and so much of the Whiston District as comprises the added part of Ditton and the added part of Halewood.

(2) The boundary of the Borough shall be that shown by the red line on the Borough maps and the whole of the area within that boundary shall for the purposes of the Municipal Corporations Acts and for all other purposes be the Borough.

Deposit of  
maps.

Art. IV.—(1) One of the Borough maps shall be deposited in the office of the Minister and the other shall be deposited by the town clerk of the existing 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 of the County Council to the Clerk to the Warrington Council to the Clerk to the Whiston Council to the Board of Inland Revenue to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to the Registrar-General to the Postmaster-General to the Board of Trade to the Electricity Commissioners to the Minister of Transport and to the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

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(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 primâ facie evidence of the contents of the map so far as it relates to the boundaries of the Borough and the 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 the map certified by the town clerk to be true on payment of a reasonable fee to be determined by the Corporation. All fees so received shall be carried to the credit of the borough fund.

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 Copies of  
 map to be  
 evidence.

Art. V. The added part of Cuerdley shall be separated from the Warrington Petty Sessional Division of the County and shall be added to the Prescott Petty Sessional Division of the County:

Petty Ses-  
 sional Divi-  
 sions.

Provided that every person committing an offence in any part of the added part of Cuerdley prior to the commencement of this Order shall be tried adjudicated on and dealt with as if this Order had not been made:

Provided also that every proceeding which prior to the commencement of this Order has been begun by or before any justice or justices in relation to any matter arising in or concerning any part of the added part of Cuerdley may be carried on continued or completed in like manner and with the like incidents and consequences as nearly as may be as if this Order had not been made.

Art. VI. For the purposes of the application to the Borough of the provisions of the County and Borough Councils (Qualification) Act 1914 the added areas shall be deemed to have always formed part of the Borough.

Application of  
 County and  
 Borough Coun-  
 cils (Qualifica-  
 tion) Act 1914.  
 4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. 21.

Art. VII. The number of Councillors of the Borough shall be increased from eighteen to twenty-one and the number of Aldermen of the Borough shall be increased from six to seven.

Number of  
 Councillors  
 and Alder-  
 men.

Art. VIII. Subject to the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Acts with respect to the alteration of wards the following provisions shall have effect:—

Division into  
 wards.

(1) For the purposes of the election of Councillors the Borough shall be divided into seven wards:

(2) That portion of the added part of Cuerdley which is coloured brown on the Borough maps shall be included in the Farnworth Ward that portion of the added part of Cuerdley which is coloured blue on the Borough maps shall be included in the Halton Ward and the added part of Ditton and the added part of Halewood shall be formed into a new ward to be named the Ditton Ward:

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- (3) The Councillors representing the existing Farnworth Ward and the existing Halton Ward who will not go out of office on the First day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty shall be deemed from and after the commencement of this Order to represent those wards respectively as altered by this Order :
- (4) The other existing wards and the number of Councillors respectively apportioned thereto shall remain unaltered :
- (5) Three Councillors shall be assigned to the new ward constituted by subdivision (2) of this Article.

Provision for  
election of  
councillors  
and alderman  
in 1920.

Art. IX.—(1) The first election of Councillors for the Ditton Ward constituted by this Order shall be held on the First day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty and the Mayor of the existing Borough shall be the returning officer at the election for that ward Provided that the Mayor of the existing Borough may appoint some other person to act as returning officer at the election for the ward.

°(2) The first election of the additional Alderman of the Borough shall take place on the Ninth day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty and the additional Alderman then to be elected shall be chosen from among the Councillors elected for the Ditton Ward or from among the persons qualified to be Councillors whose qualifying property is situate in that ward.

Retirement  
of additional  
councillors  
and alder-  
man.

Art. X.—(1) The Councillors elected for the Borough in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty for the Ditton Ward shall retire as follows :—

- (a) The Councillor for the ward who is elected by the smallest number of votes shall retire on the First day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty-one :
- (b) The Councillor for the ward who is elected by the largest number of votes shall retire on the First day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty-three :
- (c) The other Councillor for the ward shall retire on the First day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty-two :

Provided that if for any reason it is doubtful which of the Councillors ought to retire on the dates above specified the Council of the Borough shall on the Ninth day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty or at the next following quarterly meeting and not later by a majority of votes or in the case of an equality of votes by the casting vote of the chairman determine which of the Councillors shall go out of office on the dates above specified respectively.



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(2) The additional Alderman elected for the Borough in the year One thousand nine hundred and twenty shall retire on the Ninth day of November One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

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Art. XI.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order the unrepealed provisions of the Local Acts and of the Confirmation Acts specified in Schedule A to this Order so far as the last-mentioned Acts respectively relate to the Provisional Orders specified in that schedule and of any other Local Act (including any Local Act passed or to be passed during the present Session of Parliament) or of any other Provisional Order duly confirmed by Parliament (including any Provisional Order confirmed or to be confirmed during the present Session of Parliament) and affecting the existing Borough or the Corporation as the same respectively are in force within the existing Borough at the commencement of this Order shall extend and apply to the Borough and any reference therein to the existing Borough and the Corporation shall be deemed to refer to the Borough and the Corporation thereof:

Local Acts  
and Orders.

Provided that any order made by the Corporation in pursuance of Section 92 of the Widnes Corporation Act 1908 with respect to the making assessing and levying of general district rates in the same manner as borough rates which immediately before the commencement of this Order is in force and applies to future rates in the existing Township of Widnes with Appleton shall as regards rates made after that date have effect as if any reference in it to the existing Borough or the existing Township of Widnes with Appleton extended and applied to the Borough or the Township of Widnes.

8 Edw. 7.  
c. lxxxvi.

(2) The Whiston Rural District Electric Lighting Order 1898 which was confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act 1898 shall cease to be in force in the added part of Ditton and the added part of Halewood.

61 & 62 Vict.  
c. ccvi.

(3) Notwithstanding the transfer by the Corporation to the Mersey Power Company Limited of the undertaking authorised by the Widnes Electric Lighting Order 1901 and the Widnes Electric Lighting Order 1901 Amendment Order 1910 the Corporation shall be the undertakers for the purposes of the said Orders within the added areas and may if they think fit transfer the undertaking within the added areas to that Company with the consent of and on such terms and conditions as may be approved by the Electricity Commissioners by deed approved by those Commissioners.

Art. XII.—Subject to the provisions of this Order—

Byelaws &c.

(1) All byelaws orders and regulations and every list of tolls and table of fees and payments and scale of charges made by the Corporation which at the commencement of this

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Order are in force in the existing Borough shall thenceforth apply to the Borough until or except in so far as any such byelaws orders or regulations or list of tolls or table of fees and payments or scale of charges may be altered or repealed :

- (2) All byelaws and regulations made by the Warrington Council or by the Whiston Council or their predecessors and in force immediately before the commencement of this Order in any part of the added areas and all byelaws made by the County Council under Section 16 of the Act of 1888 and in force immediately before the commencement of this Order in any part of the added areas and all orders made by the County Council which are in force therein (so far as the same or similar orders have been or could have been made by the Corporation) shall on that date cease to be in force except as regards any work which has been begun before that date or as regards any work which has not been so begun but for which plans have been approved before that date by the Council of the District in which the part is situated or have been sent to the surveyor or clerk to that Council one month at least before that date and have not been disapproved by that Council. As regards any such work as aforesaid the byelaws in force immediately before the commencement of this Order shall continue to apply until the completion of the work in like manner and with the like effect as if those byelaws had been made by the Corporation and as if the Corporation and the Borough were referred to therein instead of the Council of the District in which the part is situated and that District respectively. Provided that any proceedings which if this Order had not been made might have been taken by the County Council by the Warrington Council or by the Whiston Council for any offence committed before the commencement of this Order against any byelaws and regulations made by that Council or their predecessors and in force immediately before the commencement of this Order in any part of the added areas may be taken by the Corporation as if those byelaws and regulations had remained in force and the Corporation had been substituted therein for that Council.

Town clerk  
and other  
officers con-  
tinued.

Art. XIII.—(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

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officers and servants of the Corporation of the Borough and shall hold their offices by the same tenure as at that date. A.D. 1920.

(2) The auditors of the existing Borough who are in office at the commencement of this Order shall continue in office and shall for the purposes of the Municipal Corporations Acts be the Borough auditors until the next ordinary day of election of Borough auditors.

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Art. XIV.—(1) Every officer or servant of or paid by the County Council or of or paid by the Standing Joint Committee of the County and every other officer or servant 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 and for whose compensation no other provision is made by any enactment for the time being in force and applicable to his case shall be entitled to have compensation paid to him by the Corporation for that pecuniary loss and in determining the said compensation regard shall be had to the conditions and other circumstances required by subsection (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 the expression in that subsection "the Acts and Rules relating to Her Majesty's Civil Service" shall mean the Acts and Rules relating to His Majesty's Civil Service which were in operation at the date of the passing of the Act of 1888 and such compensation shall be paid in the case of any such officer or servant 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 every other case out of the borough fund and borough rate of the Borough and the provisions of subsections (2) to (7) of Section 120 of the Act of 1888 shall apply with the necessary modifications Provided that the non-acceptance of any office shall not be a bar to the right of any officer to compensation.

Compensa-  
tion to exist-  
ing officers.

(2) For the purposes of subdivision (1) of this Article any officer or servant to whom that subdivision applies and whose services are dispensed with or whose salary is reduced by the Secretary of State or the County Council or the Standing Joint Committee or any other authority including the Corporation within five years from the commencement of this Order because his services are not required or his duties are diminished in consequence of this Order and not on the ground of misconduct shall be deemed to have suffered a direct pecuniary loss in consequence of this Order.

(3) No person shall be entitled to claim or receive both compensation for any direct pecuniary loss by abolition of office or diminution or loss of fees or salary and a superannuation or retiring allowance in respect of the same period of service and the same pecuniary loss.

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Actions &c.  
not to abate.

Art. XV.—(1) Any action or proceeding or any cause of action or proceeding which at the commencement of this Order is pending or existing by or against the Warrington Council or the Whiston Council in relation exclusively to any part of the added areas 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.

Saving for  
contracts &c.

(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 Warrington Council or the Whiston 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 Council or their predecessors the Corporation had done or suffered the same or been a party thereto.

Corporation  
property &c.

Art. XVI. Subject to the provisions of this Order all property vested in the Corporation at the commencement of this Order for the benefit of the existing Borough shall by virtue of this Order 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 exercisable by or vested in the Corporation for the benefit of the existing Borough and all liabilities which on the date aforesaid attach to the Corporation in respect of the existing Borough shall from and after that date attach to them in respect of the Borough.

Art. XVII. Subject to the provisions of this Order—

Property &c.  
of Rural  
Councils.

(1) All property and liabilities which immediately before the commencement of this Order are vested in or attach to the Warrington Council or to the Whiston Council in relation exclusively to any part of the added areas shall by virtue of this Order be transferred to and vest in and attach to the Corporation as Urban District Council and any property and liabilities vested in or attached to the Warrington Council or to the Whiston Council in relation to any part of the added areas conjointly with any other area shall be a matter for adjustment under Section 62 of the Act of 1888:

Cesser of  
jurisdiction  
of Rural  
Councils.

(2) The Warrington Council and the Whiston Council shall cease to exercise any powers or have any duties within any part of the added areas:

Arrears of  
rates &c.

(3) All arrears of rates made by any Overseers of the Poor for the purposes of the Public Health Acts or for highway

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expenses or for the purposes of the Lighting and Watching Act 1833 which at the commencement of this Order are due or owing in respect of hereditaments in the added areas may be collected and recovered as if this Order had not been made and when collected and recovered shall be applied towards the discharge of any precept of the Warrington Council or the Whiston Council which at that date shall be in force and not satisfied or in the case of rates made in the existing Township of Halewood for the purposes of the Lighting and Watching Act 1833 towards defraying the expenses incurred by the Parish Council of that township under that Act and the balances (if any) shall be paid to the Corporation :

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- (4) Any balances in the hands of the Overseers of the existing Township of Ditton and the existing Townships of Cuerdley and Halewood at or immediately before the commencement of this Order and any sum collected after the commencement of this Order by the Overseers of the Townships of Cuerdley Halewood and Widnes in respect of any rate made before that date and levied upon any rateable hereditament in the added areas shall be a matter for adjustment under Section 62 of the Act of 1888 : Adjustment  
of balances.
- (5) For the purposes of the application of Section 62 of the Act of 1888 to any adjustment which may become necessary in consequence of this Order that section shall have effect as if in subsections (5) (6) and (7) thereof the expression "council" included any authority affected by this Order or by anything done in pursuance of this Order and as if in the case of any such authority not otherwise empowered to borrow under any Act or on any security or in any manner mentioned in the said subsection (6) that subsection empowered the authority to borrow under any Act relating to and conferring on the authority a power to borrow on the security of all or any of the funds rates and revenues of the authority and in the manner provided by the said Act but without the consent of any other authority and subject to the requirement that all money so borrowed shall be repaid within such period as the Minister may sanction : Adaptation  
of provisions  
as to adjust-  
ment.

Provided that where the authority affected by this Order or by anything done in pursuance of this Order are the Board of Guardians of a Poor Law Union Section 62 of the Act of 1888 shall apply with respect

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to any necessary adjustment with the modifications specified in the First Schedule to the Poor Law (Dissolution of School Districts and Adjustments) Act 1903:

(6) For the purposes of the application of Section 62 of the Act of 1888 to any adjustment which may become necessary in consequence of this Order so far as it relates to the abolition or the alteration of the area of any existing Township that section shall have effect—

(a) As if the Overseers of the Townships of Cuerdley Halewood Tarbock and Widnes and the persons who immediately before the commencement of this Order were the Overseers of the existing Township of Ditton or where the circumstances of the case so require any persons who may be substituted for those persons by an order of the Minister were within the meaning of the said section as applied by this Article authorities affected by this Order;

(b) As if the poor rate or any other rate leviable in pursuance of the said section as applied by this Article were substituted for any fund mentioned in the section; and

(c) As if for subsections (6) and (7) of the said section there were substituted the subsections hereunto appended that is to say:—

“ (6) If it is necessary for the purpose of giving  
“ effect to any agreement or award for an adjust-  
“ ment that a separate rate shall be levied in part  
“ of a parish only the agreement or award may  
“ authorise the making of such a separate rate as  
“ if it were a poor rate and as if the part of the  
“ parish on which it is to be levied were a whole  
“ parish.”

“ (7) Any capital sum paid for the purposes of  
“ any adjustment or in pursuance of any order or  
“ award of an arbitrator shall be applied by such  
“ person in such manner and for such purpose as  
“ the Minister of Health may authorise or direct.”

Mortgage  
debts of Cor-  
poration.

Art. XVIII.—(1) So much of any sums borrowed by the Corporation as will at the commencement of this Order be owing and charged upon the district fund and general district rate of the existing Borough shall by virtue of this Order be charged upon the district fund and general district rate of the Borough and so much of any

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sums borrowed by the Corporation as will at the commencement of this Order be owing and charged upon the borough fund and borough rate of the existing Borough shall by virtue of this Order be charged upon the borough fund and borough rate of the Borough.

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(2) All borrowed moneys to which this Article applies shall together with the interest to accrue due thereon be repaid by the Corporation within the respective periods for which the loans in respect of which the said sums are owing were originally sanctioned or within which the same are otherwise required to be repaid or are made repayable.

Art. XIX. The provisions of the Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act 1890 the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1890 and the Public Libraries Acts 1892 to 1919 shall be in force in and apply to the Borough as if the same had been adopted therein.

Adoptive  
Acts.

Art. XX.—(1) Subject to the provisions of any order which the Minister or the Secretary of State may make after the commencement of this Order the provisions of any order made by the Local Government Board by the Minister or by the Secretary of State before the commencement of this Order and declaring to be in force in the existing Borough any Parts or Sections of the Act of 1907 shall have and shall be deemed always to have had effect as if any reference in those provisions to the existing Borough extended and applied to the Borough and as if the said Parts and Sections were accordingly declared to be in force in the Borough.

Powers under  
the Public  
Health Acts  
Amendment  
Act 1907.

(2) The provisions of any order made by the Local Government Board or by the Secretary of State before the commencement of this Order whereby any Parts or Sections of the Act of 1907 are in force in any part of the added areas shall cease to apply to those areas.

Art. XXI. Subject to the provisions of any order which the Minister may hereafter make the provisions of any order heretofore made by the Local Government Board or by the Minister under Section 33 of the Act of 1894 shall be deemed to have effect as if any reference in those provisions to the existing Borough or to the existing Township of Widnes with Appleton extended and applied to the Borough or to the Township of Widnes as the case may be.

Powers under  
Section 33 of  
Act of 1894.

Art. XXII. Any order made under the Shop Hours Act 1904 the Shops Act 1912 or any other Act providing for the closing of shops and in force immediately before the commencement of this Order in any area affected by this Order shall subject to the provisions of any of the above Acts remain in force and apply to the area to which it applied immediately before the commencement of this Order.

Orders under  
Shop Hours  
Act 1904  
and Shops  
Acts 1912.  
4 Edw. 7.  
c. 31.  
2 Geo. 5. c. 3.

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Transfer of  
public ele-  
mentary  
schools &c. to  
Corporation.

Art. XXIII. For the purposes and subject to the provisions of the Education Acts 1870 to 1919 :—

(1) All public elementary schools (including the sites and school-houses) provided by the County Council as local education authority and situate in the added areas and the furniture fittings books and apparatus belonging to the County Council of any public elementary school in the added areas shall by virtue of this Order be transferred to and vest in the Corporation as the local education authority for all the estate and interest therein of the County Council as the local education authority :

(2) All contracts debts and liabilities which at the commencement of this Order are existing or are owing by or attach to the County Council in respect exclusively of any public elementary school in the added areas or of the furniture fittings books or apparatus or with respect to the officers teachers and servants of any public elementary school in the added areas shall by virtue of this Order enure to and be carried into effect by and be discharged by the Corporation as the local education authority :

(3) Section 68 of the Act of 1894 shall apply with respect to any adjustment required for the purposes of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this Article :

Mortgage  
debts in  
respect of  
transferred  
schools.

(4) Subject to any adjustment which may hereafter be made the liability for repayment of so much of any loan raised exclusively in respect of any public elementary school (including the site and schoolhouse) or of the furniture fittings or apparatus transferred to and vested in the Corporation by virtue of this Order as will be owing at the commencement of this Order and the liability for the payment of interest on that part of the said loan shall by virtue of this Order be transferred and attach to the Corporation as the local education authority and so much of any such loan as will be owing at the commencement of this Order shall be charged on the borough fund and the borough rate of the Borough and shall be repaid by the Corporation within the period if any for which that part of the loan was originally sanctioned or within which the said part of the loan is otherwise required to be repaid or is made repayable :

(5) In the foregoing subdivisions of this Article the expression "public elementary school" includes any land acquired and held by the County Council as the local education authority for purposes of public elementary education :



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(6) Any byelaws in force in the existing Borough immediately before the commencement of this Order shall from and after that date apply to the Borough until revoked or altered and from and after that date any byelaws then in force in any part of the added areas shall cease to be in force:

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byelaws.

(7) Any managers of public elementary schools in the added areas who were appointed by the County Council or by any Parish Council shall vacate office at the commencement of this Order.

Managers.

Art. XXIV. The total amount in the pound of the general district rate or rates to be made and levied by the Corporation upon any rateable hereditament situate in the part of the Borough which comprises the several added areas described in column 1 of Schedule B to this Order shall in each of the years specified in column 2 of that Schedule be less than the total amount of the general district rate or rates to be made and levied by the Corporation in the same year upon any hereditament within the part of the Borough which comprises the existing Borough by the sum stated under the year in question opposite to the description of the added area.

Differential  
rating.

Art. XXV. Subject to the provisions of Section 54 of the Act of 1888—

Electoral  
Divisions.

(1) The Winwick Electoral Division of the County shall be altered by the exclusion therefrom of the added part of Cuerdley:

(2) The Whiston Electoral Division of the County shall be altered by the exclusion therefrom of the added part of Ditton and the added part of Halewood:

(3) The Widnes North Electoral Division of the County shall be altered by the addition thereto of the added part of Cuerdley:

(4) The Widnes South Electoral Division of the County shall be altered by the addition thereto of the added part of Ditton and the added part of Halewood:

(5) The persons who immediately before the commencement of this Order are the County Councillors respectively representing the above-named Electoral Divisions of the County shall continue to represent those Divisions respectively as altered by this Order as if they had been originally elected to represent the altered Divisions.

Art. XXVI.—(1) The added part of Cuerdley and the added part of Halewood shall respectively be separated from the existing townships of which they now form part and those parts and the added

Parochial  
alterations.

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*Widnes* Widnes with Appleton and that township as so altered shall be named  
*Order.* the Township of Widnes.

(2) The excluded part of Ditton shall be amalgamated with the existing Township of Tarbock.

Rural Dis-  
trict Coun-  
cillors and  
Guardians.

Art. XXVII. Subject to the provisions of Section 60 of the Act of 1894 the following provisions shall have effect:—

- (1) The Township of Widnes shall for the purposes of the election of guardians be divided into seven wards:
- (2) That portion of the added part of Cuerdley which is coloured brown on the Borough maps shall be included in the Farnworth Ward of the Township of Widnes that portion of the added part of Cuerdley which is coloured blue on the Borough maps shall be included in the Halton Ward of the said township and the added part of Ditton and the added part of Halewood shall be formed into a new ward to be named the Ditton Ward of the said township and two Guardians shall be elected to represent the said Ward:
- (3) The other existing wards of the said township and the number of guardians respectively assigned thereto shall remain unaltered:
- (4) The two persons who at the commencement of this Order are the Rural District Councillors representing the existing Township of Ditton shall cease to act as Rural District Councillors but shall continue to act as members of the Board of Guardians of the Prescot Union and shall be deemed to have been elected for the Ditton Ward of the Township of Widnes and shall continue in office until the date on which they would have retired if this Order had not been made and the persons representing the existing Farnworth Ward and the existing Halton Ward of the Township of Widnes with Appleton upon the Board of Guardians of the said Union shall be deemed to have been elected for and shall represent those wards respectively as altered by this Article as if they had been originally elected to represent the altered Wards respectively:
- (5) The persons who at the commencement of this Order are holding the offices of Rural District Councillor and Guardian of the Poor for the existing Township of Cuerdley the existing Township of Halewood and the existing Township of Tarbock shall be deemed to have been elected for and

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shall represent those townships respectively as altered by this Order as if they had been originally elected to represent the altered townships respectively.

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Art. XXVIII.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Order the Parish Council of the existing Township of Ditton shall cease to exist and any powers and duties transferred by the Act of 1894 to the Parish Council of the existing Township of Ditton or to the Parish Meeting of the existing Township of Cuerdley shall so far as regards the added part of Cuerdley the added part of Ditton or the added part of Halewood be vested in and imposed on the persons and authorities in or on whom they would be vested or imposed if the added part in each case had been included in a parish in the existing Borough on the appointed day within the meaning of the Act of 1894 and all property and liabilities held or incurred so far as regards the added part in each case for the purpose or by virtue of the said powers and duties shall by virtue of this Order be transferred to and vest in and attach to the persons and authorities aforesaid. Any property or liabilities of the said Parish Councils or Parish Meeting held or incurred otherwise than by virtue or for the purposes of the powers or duties aforesaid shall so far as regards any part of the added areas by virtue of this Order be transferred to and vest in the Corporation.

Parish  
Councils  
and Parish  
Meetings.

(2) The wards into which the existing Township of Halewood is divided for the purpose of the election of Parish Councillors shall be abolished and the Parish Councils of the existing Township of Halewood and the existing Township of Tarbock shall be deemed to have been elected for and shall be the Parish Councils for the Townships of Halewood and Tarbock respectively.

(3) The accounts of the Parish Councils of the existing Township of Ditton and of their committees and officers shall be made up to the commencement of this Order and shall be audited by the District Auditor in like manner and with the like incidents and consequences as if this Order had not been made:

Audit of  
accounts  
of Parish  
Council.

Provided that the audit may be held as soon as practicable after the commencement of this Order any statutory provision or regulation as to the time of holding the audit to the contrary notwithstanding and that any sum certified by the District Auditor at the audit to be due from any person shall be paid to the treasurer of the Borough and shall be a matter for adjustment under Section 62 of the Act of 1888.

Art. XXIX. Until new valuation lists are in force—

(1) The portions of the valuation lists of the existing Townships of Cuerdley Ditton and Halewood which respectively

Valuation  
lists.

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relate to hereditaments in the added part of Cuerdley the added part of Ditton and the added part of Halewood shall be deemed to form part of the valuation list of the Township of Widnes:

- (2) The remaining portion of the valuation list of the existing Township of Ditton shall be deemed to form part of the valuation list of the Township of Tarbock:
- (3) The remaining portions of the valuation lists of the existing Townships of Cuerdley and Halewood shall be deemed respectively to be the valuation lists of the Townships of Cuerdley and Halewood.

County rate  
basis.

Art. XXX.—(1) Subject to any future revision the basis or standard of the county rate for the County shall be deemed to be altered:—

(a) By the omission therefrom of the reference to the total annual value of the property in the existing Township of Ditton by the addition to the amount appearing therein as the total annual value of the property in the existing Township of Widnes with Appleton of such a sum as will represent the annual value of the property in the added part of Ditton and by the addition to the amount appearing therein as the total annual value of the property in the existing Township of Tarbock of such a sum as will represent the annual value of the property in the excluded part of Ditton;

(b) By the deduction from the amount appearing therein as the total annual value of the property in the existing Townships of Cuerdley and Halewood of such a sum in each case as will represent the annual value of the property in the added part of Cuerdley or the added part of Halewood and by the addition of those sums to the amount appearing therein as the total annual value of the property in the existing Township of Widnes with Appleton.

(2) For the purposes of this Article the annual value of the property in the added or excluded part of a township shall be the amount which bears the same relation to the total annual value of the existing township as the assessable value of the property in the added or excluded part bears to the total assessable value of the property in the existing township.

(3) For the purposes of this Article assessable value means one-half of the rateable value according to the valuation list for the time being in force of the agricultural land together with the rateable value according to that list of the buildings and other hereditaments not being agricultural land in the existing township or in the added or excluded part as the case may require.

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Art. XXXI. For the purposes of jury lists the townships affected by this Order shall be deemed to continue unaltered until the next lists after the commencement of this Order come into force.

Saving for  
existing jury  
lists.

Art. XXXII. For any purposes connected with the settlement and removal of the poor in relation to cases affected by this Order the following provisions shall have effect that is to say:—

Settlement  
and removal  
of the poor.

(1) Every person who at the commencement of this Order has acquired or is in the course of acquiring a settlement in any of the existing Townships of Cuerdley Ditton Halewood Tarbock or Widnes with Appleton by reason of any residence completed or in the course of completion or of any act or thing done or in the course of being done or of any status condition right or privilege acquired or created or in the course of acquisition or creation—

(i) in the existing Township of Widnes with Appleton ;

or

(ii) in the added part of Cuerdley ; or

(iii) in the added part of Ditton ; or

(iv) in the added part of Halewood ; or

(v) in that part of the existing Township of Cuerdley which by virtue of this Order will form the Township of Cuerdley ; or

(vi) in that part of the existing Township of Halewood which by virtue of this Order will form the Township of Halewood ; or

(vii) in the excluded part of Ditton ; or

(viii) in the existing Township of Tarbock

shall be deemed to have acquired or to be in the course of acquiring in the first second third and fourth cases a settlement in the Township of Widnes in the fifth case a settlement in the Township of Cuerdley in the sixth case a settlement in the Township of Halewood and in the seventh and eighth cases a settlement in the Township of Tarbock and in each case as if the existing township or the specified part of the existing township were and had always been the township or a part of the township in which by virtue of this Article the person shall be deemed to have acquired or to be in the course of acquiring a settlement.

(2) Every person who at the commencement of this Order has acquired or is in the course of acquiring a status of irremovability from the Prescot Union or the Warrington Union by reason of residence in any of the areas mentioned in paragraphs (i) to (viii) of subdivision (1) of this Article shall be deemed to have acquired or to be in the course of

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acquiring the like status in the fifth case from the Warrington Union and in the other cases from the Prescott Union by reason of residence in the township in which by virtue of subdivision (1) of this Article he is to be deemed to have acquired or to be in the course of acquiring a settlement.

Saving for  
contribution  
orders and  
precepts.

Art. XXXIII. Notwithstanding the alteration in the areas of townships effected by this Order all contribution orders made by the Guardians of the Poor of the Prescott Union and the Warrington Union and all precepts made by the Warrington Council and the Whiston Council before the commencement of this Order shall be as valid in law as if this Order had not been made.

Arrears of  
rates.

Art. XXXIV.—(1) All sums in respect of rates made by the Overseers of the Poor of the existing Township of Ditton and due or owing at the commencement of this Order shall be collected and recovered by the Overseers of the Poor of the Township of Widnes.

(2) All sums in respect of rates made by the Overseers of the Poor of the existing Townships of Cuerdley and Halewood and due or owing at the commencement of this Order shall be collected and recovered by the Overseers of the Poor of the Townships of Cuerdley and Halewood as if this Order had not been made.

Registration  
of electors.

Art. XXXV.—(1) For the purposes of the register of local government electors of the Borough prepared next after the commencement of this Order in pursuance of the Representation of the People Act 1918 and of all matters connected with incidental to or consequent upon those purposes the added areas shall be deemed to have formed part of the Borough as from the first day of the qualifying period for that register.

(2) In the preparation of the autumn register for the year 1920 in pursuance of the Representation of the People Act 1918 so far as it relates to areas affected by this Order it shall be competent to the Registration Officer to frame the register in separate parts for each area which will constitute a registration unit from and after the commencement of this Order instead of in separate parts for each area constituting a registration unit before the commencement of this Order.

(3) If the register of local government electors for any local government electoral area affected by this Order and in force at the commencement of this Order is not so framed as to show the persons entitled to vote at an election to be held for any township ward or other electoral division of the area the town clerk in the case of an election for a township ward or electoral division within the Borough and the registration officer of the parliamentary county in the case of an election for a township ward or electoral division outside the

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Borough shall make such alteration or re-arrangement of the register as may be necessary for the purposes of such election It shall be the duty of the Overseers to render such assistance as may be required by the said town clerk or registration officer for the purpose of such alteration or re-arrangement.

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(4) Where in the opinion of the Minister the circumstances so require the Minister may make such order as appears to him to be necessary to give effect to the provisions of this Order and may vary so far as is requisite the provisions in force with regard to the lists and registers of electors.

Art. XXXVI. For the purposes of defraying any expenses under this Order which in the opinion of the Minister are properly chargeable to capital the Corporation may borrow according and subject to the provisions and restrictions of the Public Health Act 1875 and any moneys so borrowed shall be primarily chargeable to the borough fund and borough rate or district fund and general district rate of the Borough Provided that all such moneys shall be repaid within such period not exceeding thirty years from the date of borrowing the same as the Corporation with the sanction of the Minister determine.

Borrowing  
powers for  
purposes of  
Order.

Art. XXXVII. Nothing in this Order shall affect the ecclesiastical divisions of any township or shall prejudice vary or affect any right interest or jurisdiction in or over any charitable endowment.

Ecclesiastical  
divisions and  
charities.

Art. XXXVIII. This Order may be cited as the Widnes (Extension) Order 1920.

Short title.

THE SCHEDULES above referred to.

SCHEDULE A.

PART I.—LOCAL ACTS.

Session and Chapter.	Short Title.
30 & 31 Vict. c. cxxvi.	The Widnes Improvement Act 1867.
38 & 39 Vict. c. lxxxviii.	The Widnes Local Board Act 1875.
63 & 64 Vict. c. lxxxvi.	The Widnes and Runcorn Bridge Act 1900.
8 Edw. 7. c. lxxxvi.	The Widnes Corporation Act 1908.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. lxxv.	The Widnes and Runcorn Bridge (Transfer) Act 1911.

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48 & 49 Vict. c. cvi.	The Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act 1885.	The Widnes Order 1885.
50 Vict. c. viii.	The Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act 1886.	The Widnes Order 1886.
1 Edw. 7. c. cxxxviii.	The Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act 1901.	The Widnes Electric Lighting Order 1901.
4 Edw. 7. c. clxxv.	The Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act 1904.	The Widnes Electric Lighting Order 1904.
5 Edw. 7. c. lxxiv.	The Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act 1905.	The Widnes Order 1905.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. lxxv.	The Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act 1910.	The Widnes Electric Lighting Order 1901 Amendment Order 1910.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. iii.	The Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act 1915.	The Widnes Order 1915.

SCHEDULE B.

Column 1. Description of added areas.	Column 2.									
	Year ending 31Mch 1922.	Year ending 31Mch 1923.	Year ending 31Mch 1924.	Year ending 31Mch 1925.	Year ending 31Mch 1926.	Year ending 31Mch 1927.	Year ending 31Mch 1928.	Year ending 31Mch 1929.	Year ending 31Mch 1930.	Year ending 31Mch 1931.
Added part of Ditton	s. 2 d. 6	s. 2 d. 3	s. 2 d. 0	s. 1 d. 9	s. 1 d. 6	s. 1 d. 3	s. 1 d. 0	s. 0 d. 9	s. 0 d. 6	s. 0 d. 3
Added part of Halewood	s. 3 d. 0	s. 2 d. 8	s. 2 d. 4	s. 2 d. 0	s. 1 d. 8	s. 1 d. 4	s. 1 d. 1	s. 0 d. 10	s. 0 d. 7	s. 0 d. 4

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 Fourth day of May One thousand nine hundred and twenty.

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