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CHAPTER xciv.

An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Govern- A.D. 1890.  
ment Board under the provisions of the Artizans and  
Labourers Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1885,  
relating to the City of Manchester. [4th July 1890.]

WHEREAS the Local Government Board have made the  
Provisional Order relating to the City of Manchester, set  
forth in the Schedule hereto, under the provisions of the Artizans  
and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1885 :

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

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty,  
by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and  
Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and  
by the authority of the same, as follows :

1. The Order 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.

2. This Act may be cited as the Local Government Board's  
Provisional Order Confirmation (Artizans and Labourers Dwellings)  
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38 & 39 Vict.  
c. 86.  
42 & 43 Vict.  
c. 63.  
45 & 46 Vict.  
c. 54.  
48 & 49 Vict.  
c. 72.

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SCHEDULE.

CITY OF MANCHESTER.

*Provisional Order for confirming an Improvement Scheme under  
the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Acts,  
1875 to 1885.*

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

And to all others whom it may concern.

38 & 39 Vict.  
c. 36.  
42 & 43 Vict.  
c. 63.  
45 & 46 Vict.  
c. 54.  
48 & 49 Vict.  
c. 72.

WHEREAS the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1885, provide for the making of schemes for the improvement of areas in Urban Sanitary Districts by the Urban Sanitary Authorities of such Districts, as the Local Authorities under those Acts :

38 & 39 Vict.  
c. 36.

And whereas it is enacted by Section 3 of the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Act, 1875 (herein-after referred to as "the Act of 1875"), that where an official representation is made, in accordance with the provisions of that Act, to any such Urban Sanitary Authority, that any houses, courts, or alleys within a certain area under the jurisdiction of such Authority are unfit for human habitation, and that the evils connected with such houses, courts, or 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 such area, or of some of such streets or houses, such Authority shall take such representation into their consideration, and if satisfied of the truth 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 of such area, and shall, after passing such resolution, forthwith proceed to make a scheme for the improvement of such area ; and it is provided that any number of such areas may be included in one improvement scheme :

And whereas the City of Manchester is an Urban Sanitary District, and the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, acting by the Council (herein-after referred to as "the Local Authority"), are the Urban Sanitary Authority for such District :

And whereas official representations have been made to the Local Authority, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of 1875, that many of the houses, courts, and alleys within the following areas under the jurisdiction of the Authority, namely :—

1. The area bounded by Cornwall Street, George Leigh Street, Bengal Street, and Oldham Road (excluding the houses facing Oldham Road) ;



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2. The area bounded on the south-westerly side by Munday Street, on the north-westerly side by certain works, on the north-easterly side by Burke Street, on the south-easterly side in part by Back Beckett Street and by a passage leading between Beckett Street and Burke Street, together also with a block of cottages Nos. 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, and 17, Burke Street, and Nos. 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16, Halton Street ;
3. The area bounded on the northerly side by Lord Street, on the north-easterly side by Grime Street, on the south-easterly side by Pape Street, and on the south-westerly side by a passage and by a block of buildings abutting upon Carruthers Street ;
4. The area bounded on the north-easterly side by Love Street, on the easterly side by Back Love Lane, on the south-westerly side by Little Holme Street, and on the north-westerly side by a block of buildings abutting upon Pollard Street ;

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are unfit for human habitation ; and that the evils connected with such houses, courts, or alleys, and the sanitary defects in such areas, cannot be effectually remedied otherwise than by an improvement scheme for the re-arrangement and re-construction of the streets and houses within such areas, or of some of such streets and houses :

And whereas the Local Authority, being satisfied of the truth of such official representations, and of the sufficiency of their resources, have passed resolutions that the areas described in the said official representations are unhealthy areas, and that an Improvement Scheme ought to be made in respect of such areas, and, after passing such resolutions, have made an Improvement Scheme (herein-after referred to as "the Scheme"), accompanied by maps numbered 1, 2, 3, and 4, particulars, and estimates, which scheme is as follows :—

" THE MANCHESTER LABOURERS DWELLINGS SCHEME, 1890.

" Scheme made by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the CITY OF MANCHESTER,  
 " in the County of Lancaster, acting by the Council as the Local Authority,  
 " under the Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Acts 1875 to 1885,  
 " for the Improvement of certain unhealthy areas within the said City :—

" Whereas official representations, dated respectively the 26th day of September, 1889,  
 " and 25th day of October, 1889, under the provisions of the above-mentioned Acts,  
 " were duly made to us, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, by John Tatham, the  
 " Medical Officer of Health for the said City, with respect to certain areas comprised  
 " in the Schedule A to this Scheme annexed, situate in the said City and under our  
 " jurisdiction, as the Local Authority within the meaning of the said Acts, to the effect  
 " that many of the houses, courts, and alleys within the said areas under our jurisdic-  
 " tion are unfit for human habitation, and that the evils connected with such houses,  
 " courts or alleys, and the sanitary defects in such areas, cannot be effectually remedied  
 " otherwise than by an Improvement Scheme for the rearrangement and reconstruction  
 " of the streets and houses within such areas, or of some of such streets and houses :  
 " And whereas we, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, having taken such repre-  
 " sentations respectively into our consideration, and being satisfied of the truth thereof  
 " and of the sufficiency of our resources, have adopted resolutions to the effect that the



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“ said areas are unhealthy areas, and that an Improvement Scheme ought to be made  
“ in respect thereof:

“ Now, therefore, We, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens in furtherance of such  
“ resolutions, and in pursuance of the provisions of the Artizans and Labourers  
“ Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1885, and the powers by the said Acts  
“ conferred upon us, do make the Scheme following, that is to say :—

“ The Scheme includes the whole of the several areas in respect of which the said  
“ official representations apply, which are delineated and coloured red on the maps  
“ marked Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 deposited with this Scheme. The Scheme also includes  
“ certain neighbouring lands which we the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens con-  
“ sider to be necessary for the purpose of making the Scheme efficient for sanitary  
“ purposes, and which are delineated and coloured blue in the said maps No. 1 and  
“ No. 2, and we have added and included such lands to and in the areas 1 and 2 herein-  
“ after mentioned. All the said areas so distinguished by a red colour as aforesaid,  
“ together with the said lands coloured blue as aforesaid, are described in Schedule A  
“ hereto, under the numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4. All the lands described in Schedule A may  
“ for the purposes of this Scheme be taken compulsorily.

“ It is proposed that some of the existing approaches to the said areas shall be  
“ widened and opened out, and new or improved streets or approaches provided for the  
“ purposes of ventilation and health, and that certain existing streets, courts, and  
“ passages shall be stopped up and appropriated for the purposes of this Scheme, and  
“ the site and soil thereof vested in us, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, as  
“ described in Schedule B hereto.

“ The number of persons of the working classes to be displaced by the demolition of  
“ the buildings upon the lands described in Schedule A will be 1,870. Accommodation  
“ in suitable dwellings will be provided for not less than the number which will be dis-  
“ placed as aforesaid. Such dwellings will all be within the limits of the said areas  
“ described as 1 and 2 respectively in the said Schedule A. The aforesaid dwellings  
“ shall be arranged upon improved sanitary conditions, and will consist of buildings in  
“ flats provided with wide open spaces adjoining thereto. Further particulars in  
“ relation to this Scheme are contained in Schedule B.

“ The areas referred to in Schedule A as 3 and 4 may be made into open spaces, or  
“ appropriated for the erection thereon of suitable dwellings or lodging-houses for  
“ persons of the working class.

“ As regards portions of the land described in Schedule A, the buildings to be erected  
“ thereon may be used for dwelling-houses of the ordinary kind, or for shops.

“ We, the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, may if we think fit to do so, ourselves  
“ undertake the building of the houses and the execution of the Scheme either wholly  
“ or in part.

“ There shall be vested in us, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, a discretionary  
“ power of sale under the said Acts, or the Provisional Order to be made under the  
“ same, of all or any part of the said areas described in Schedule A, including power to  
“ sell and dispose of buildings erected by us.

“ This Scheme may be referred to for all purposes as “The Manchester Labourers  
“ Dwellings Scheme 1890.”

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“ SCHEDULE A.

“ The areas to which the Scheme relates are as follows :—

“ Area 1. The area bounded by Cornwall Street, George Leigh Street, Bengal Street,  
“ and Oldham Road, and containing 19,271 square yards or thereabouts.

“ Area 2. The area bounded on the south-westerly side by Munday Street, on the  
“ north-westerly side by certain works, on the north-easterly side by Burke Street, on  
“ the south-easterly side by Pollard Street, together also with a block of cottages,  
“ Nos. 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, and 17, Burke Street, and Nos. 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, and 16, Halton  
“ Street, such area containing 4,233 square yards or thereabouts.

“ Area 3. The area bounded on the northerly side by Lord Street, on the north-  
“ easterly side by Grime Street, on the south-easterly side by Pape Street, and on the  
“ south-westerly side by a passage and by a block of buildings abutting upon Carruthers  
“ Street, and containing 863 square yards or thereabouts.

“ Area 4. The area bounded on the north-easterly side by Love Street, on the  
“ easterly side by Back Love Lane, on the south-westerly side by Little Holme Street,  
“ and on the north-westerly side by a block of buildings abutting upon Pollard Street,  
“ and containing 956 square yards or thereabouts.

“ SCHEDULE B.

“ The dwellings to be erected on the lands constituting the Improvement Areas No. 1  
“ and No. 2 shall be dwellings approved by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, and  
“ be so constructed as to contain in the aggregate not less than 1,870 persons belonging  
“ to the working class.

“ The dwellings shall be furnished with proper sanitary arrangements.

“ The streets respectively called Bengal Street, Cornwall Street, and George  
“ Leigh Street upon Area 1 shall be widened so as to be made not less than 18 yards  
“ in width. Spittal Street, which is included in Area 1, shall not be permanently  
“ stopped up, but be widened so as to be made at least 18 yards in width. With the  
“ exception of the streets above-mentioned, all streets, courts, and passages within the  
“ aforesaid Areas 1, 2, 3, and 4 shall be stopped up and appropriated by us, the said  
“ Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, for the purposes of this Scheme.

“ Given under our Common Seal this 9th day of November, 1889.

“ The Common Seal of the Corporation of the City of Manchester was hereunto  
“ affixed, in pursuance of an Order of the Council of the said City, in the  
“ presence of

“ JOHN MARK, Mayor.

“ W. H. TALBOT, Deputy Town Clerk.”

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A.D. 1890,      And whereas the estimate of the cost of carrying the Scheme into effect  
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“ ARTIZANS AND LABOURERS DWELLINGS IMPROVEMENT ACTS, 1875 TO 1885.

“ ESTIMATE.

	£	s.	d.
“ Cost of Land and other Improvements - - - -	103,375	0	0
“ Less recoupment - - - -	50,370	0	0
“ Net cost - - - -	<u>53,005</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

“ Dated the 30th day of October, 1889.

JNO. ALLISON,

“ City Surveyor.”

And whereas the Local Authority have presented a petition to the Local Government Board praying that an Order may be made confirming the Scheme, and have deposited with that Board duplicates of the maps which accompanied the Scheme, which maps are herein-after referred to as “the deposited maps” :

And whereas on proof of the Local Authority having complied with the provisions of the Act of 1875 in the matter of the Scheme and petition, the Local Government Board directed local inquiry to be held, in accordance with and for the purposes mentioned in the Act of 1875, and such inquiry has been held and report has been made of the result of such inquiry to the Local Government Board in accordance with Section 18 of that Act :

And whereas, since the inquiry was held as aforesaid, the Local Authority have caused to be prepared a plan (marked A.) more fully explaining the intended mode of utilization of the area numbered 1 in the Schedule A to the Scheme :

And whereas the plan A. above referred to has been sealed with the seal of the Local Government Board, and deposited with the said Board, and a duplicate of that plan, sealed in like manner, will be deposited with the Local Authority :

Now therefore, We, the Local Government Board, in pursuance of the powers given to Us by the above-mentioned Statutes, do, subject to the provisions of those Statutes, and subject as herein-after provided, hereby—

- I. Confirm the Scheme as further explained by the plan A. above referred to.
- II. Declare that the limits of the areas to which the Scheme relates are the lands coloured red and blue on the deposited maps.
- III. Authorise the Scheme as further explained as aforesaid to be carried into execution, subject to the following conditions and modifications ; viz. :—

- (1.) The areas coloured red on the deposited maps shall be taken to represent the whole of the unhealthy areas, and the lands coloured

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blue on the deposited maps numbered 1 and 2 shall be included in the Scheme for the purpose of making it efficient for sanitary purposes.

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- (2.) The Local Authority shall not themselves undertake the rebuilding of houses on any of the said areas, or the execution of any part of the Scheme, except so far as they may lawfully do so in accordance with Section 9 of the Act of 1875.
- (3.) When so much of the area coloured red and blue on the deposited map numbered 1, as will be sufficient to provide accommodation for one-half of the persons of the working class who will be displaced in carrying out the Scheme, shall have been cleared of buildings, no further clearance of buildings in such area shall be made until suitable dwellings for the accommodation of the same number of persons of the working class have been provided in such area.
- (4.) The area coloured red and blue on the deposited map numbered 2 may be made into an open space or appropriated for the erection thereon of suitable dwellings or lodging-houses for persons of the working class.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Local Government Board, this  
Sixteenth day of May, One thousand eight hundred and ninety.

(L.S.)

CHAS. T. RITCHIE, President.  
HUGH OWEN, Secretary.

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