



Crown Lands Act 1936

1936 CHAPTER 47

An Act to provide for the vesting in the Commissioners of Works of certain Crown lands in Westminster as a site for public offices and police offices, to amend the law with respect to other Crown lands, to amend the Crown Lands Acts, 1829 to 1927, and the Public Offices (Sites) Act, 1912, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid. [31st July 1936]

WHEREAS by the Public Offices (Sites) Act, 1912 (hereafter in this Act referred to as " the principal Act"), for the purpose of providing a site for certain public offices, provision was made for vesting in the Commissioners of Works certain lands in the City of Westminster then vested in His Majesty (referred to in that Act and this Act as the " southern lands " and the " northern lands " respectively):

And whereas it is expedient to provide for the extension of the said site and for the extension of the offices of the Metropolitan Police at New Scotland Yard, and for that purpose to provide for the vesting in the said Commissioners of certain other lands (in this Act referred to as the " additional lands ") which adjoin the southern lands and for purposes of identification are described on a map (in this Act referred to as " the sealed map ") to which the official seal of the Commissioners of Crown Lands was affixed on the nineteenth day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-five :

And whereas the additional lands are now, subject to certain outstanding leases, vested in His Majesty as part of the hereditary land revenues of the Crown :

And whereas the additional lands include the premises known as Nos. 1 to 7 Richmond Terrace (in this Act referred to as " Richmond Terrace "), the lodge, gardens, shrubberies and ornamental enclosures appurtenant thereto (in this Act referred to as " the Richmond Terrace lands "), the premises known as Nos. 1 to 7 Richmond Mews (in this Act referred to as " Richmond Mews") and the site of the carriageways and footways appurtenant to Richmond Terrace and Richmond Mews :

And whereas by virtue of the enactments mentioned in Part I of the First Schedule to this Act the Commissioners for executing the Act last so mentioned (in this Act referred to as the " Paving Commissioners ") have certain rights, powers, duties and obligations with respect to Richmond Terrace, the Richmond Terrace lands, Richmond Mews and the said carriageways and footways :

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And whereas by virtue of the said enactments and the enactments mentioned in Part II of the said Schedule the Council of the City of Westminster also have certain rights, powers, duties and obligations with respect to the said carriageways and footways :

And whereas it is expedient for the purposes of this Act to extinguish all the said rights, powers, duties and obligations of the Paving Commissioners and of the said Council and to extinguish other rights in, over and under the said carriageways and footways :

And whereas under subsection (3) of section five of the principal Act the Commissioners of Works have power to divert and alter part of the highway known as Whitehall Gardens, and it is expedient that in lieu of the said power those Commissioners should have power to stop up the whole of the said highway :

And whereas it was provided by section three of the principal Act that the amount of the consideration payable to His Majesty for his estate and interest in the northern lands should be ascertained as soon as might be after the passing of that Act and should, as from the date of vesting, carry interest at the rate of three and a half per centum per annum, but the said amount has not hitherto been ascertained and it is expedient that it should be ascertained, and that the interest thereon should be fixed, as provided by this Act:

And whereas it is expedient to amend the law with respect to other Crown Lands and to amend the Crown Lands Acts, 1829 to 1927 :

And whereas the objects aforesaid cannot be effected without the authority of 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 :—