



# Municipal Corporations Act 1882

## 1882 CHAPTER 50

### PART I

#### PRELIMINARY.

#### **7 Interpretation and construction.**

(1) In this Act—

" Borough " means, unless a contrary intention appears, a city or town to which this Act applies :

" Municipal corporation " means the body corporate constituted by the incorporation of the inhabitants of a borough :

" Municipal Corporations Act, 1835, " means the recited Act of King William the Fourth, the date of the passing whereof is the ninth of September one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five :

" Municipal Corporations Acts " means this Act and any Act to be passed amending this Act:

" Burgess " includes citizen:

" Corporate seal " means the common seal of a municipal corporation :

" Corporate office " means the office of mayor, alderman, councillor, elective auditor, or revising assessor :

" Corporate land " means land belonging to or held in trust for a municipal corporation :

" Municipal election " means an election to a corporate office:

" Parliamentary borough " means any borough, city, county of a city, county of a town, place, or combination of places, returning a member to serve in Parliament, and not being a county at large, or a riding, parts, or division of a county at large :

" Parliamentary election " means an election of a member to serve in Parliament:

" Parish " means any place for which a separate poor rate is or can be made :

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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" Overseers " means overseers of the poor of a parish, township, or place, and includes all persons who execute the duties of overseers :

" County " does not include a county of a city or county of a town, but includes a riding, parts, division; or liberty of a county:

" Trustees " means trustees, commissioners, or directors, or the persons charged with the execution of a trust or public duty, however designated:

" Person " includes a body of persons corporate or unincorporate:

" Treasury " means the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury :

" The Secretary of State " means one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.:

" High Court " means Her Majesty's High Court of Justice:

" Justice " means one of Her Majesty's justices of the peace :

" Borough civil court " means an inferior court of record for the trial of civil actions which by charter, custom, or otherwise, is or ought to be holden in a borough, but does not include a county court:

" Bank of England " means the Governor and Company of the Bank of England:

" Schedule " means schedule to this Act, and " Part " means Part of this Act:

" Writing " includes print, and " written " includes printed.

- (2) Words in this Act referring to a borough, municipal corporation, authority, officer, or office, shall be construed distributively as referring to each borough, corporation, authority, officer, or office to which or to whom the provision is applicable.
- (3) Words in this Act referring to a parish shall be construed, unless a contrary intention appears, as referring to every parish situate wholly or in part in a borough.
- (4) The schedules shall be read and have effect as if they were part of this Act.