

# Public Health (Scotland) Act 1897

## **1897 CHAPTER 38**

### PART I

AUTHORITIES FOR EXECUTION OF ACT.

#### Local Authorities.

### 14 Local authorities to be bodies corporate. Committees may be appointed.

The local authorities shall respectively be bodies corporate designated by such names as they may usually bear or adopt, with power to sue and be sued in such names, and to hold lands for the purposes of this Act; and the local authority, subject, in the case where the local authority is a district committee, to the provisions of sub-section two of section seventeen of the' Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, may appoint any committee' or committees of their own body to receive and issue notices, to take proceedings, and in all or certain specified respects to execute this Act, whereof two shall be a quorum, unless a larger quorum be specified in their appointment; and such local authority or their committee, thereto duly authorised, may by a writing under the hand of the clerk empower any officer or person to serve notices, make complaints, and take ) proceedings on their behalf; and all acts done or proceedings taken by or against such committee or officer or person shall be as valid as if they were done by or taken in, the name of all the members of the local authority; and the local authority shall have power to commence of carry, on all proceedings commenced, or which might have been commenced, before the commencement of this Act, by the local authority under any of the Acts hereby repealed, and shall he vested with all property or pecuniary claims vested in and be liable to perform all pecuniary and other obligations undertaken or. incurred by or devolving on such last-mentioned local authority.