

Rt Hon. Geoffrey Palmer

**CHRISTCHURCH CITY (OLD MUNICIPAL
CHAMBERS) EMPOWERING**

[LOCAL]

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A BILL INTITULED

An Act to define the status for which a reserve in the City of Christchurch is held and to redefine the power of the Christchurch City Council to grant leases in respect of the Old Municipal Chambers situated on the said reserve

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Christchurch City (Old Municipal Chambers) Empowering Act 1989.

2. Interpretation—In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, “Council” means the Christchurch City Council.

3. Cancellation of existing reservations—The land described in the Schedule to this Act is hereby freed and discharged from all express and implied trusts, reservations, and restrictions, howsoever created, to which the land or any part of it is subject.

4. Vesting of land—The land described in the Schedule to this Act is hereby vested in the Council for an estate in fee simple as a reserve within the meaning of the Reserves Act 1977 for the use and benefit of the public.

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5. Power to grant leases—Notwithstanding any of the provisions of the Local Government Act 1974 or the Reserves Act 1977 or any other Act or rule of law, the Council may lease, licence, or let all or any part of the building (the Old Municipal Chambers) erected upon the land described in the Schedule to this Act upon such terms and conditions as the Council thinks fit. 5

6. Certain rights and powers not affected—Nothing in this Act shall be construed as limiting the application of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1977 or the Historic Places Act 1980. 10

7. Certificate of title—On application by or on behalf of the Council, the District Land Registrar for the Canterbury Land Registration District shall, without fee, enter on the certificate of title for the land described in the Schedule to this Act a memorial that the land is freed from all trusts, restrictions, and reservations imposed by the Municipal Corporations Reserves Ordinance 1868 and the Christchurch Municipal Offices Leasing Act 1922; and the District Land Registrar is empowered and directed to do all such other things as may be necessary to give effect to this Act. 15 20

8. Repeals and savings—(1) The following ordinances and enactments are repealed—

(a) So much of Schedule A to the Municipal Councils Reserves Ordinance 1862 (Session 19, No. 14) as relates to Reserve No. 10: 25

(b) So much of Schedule A to the Municipal Corporations Reserves Ordinance 1868 (Session 30, No. 6) as relates to Reserve No. 10:

(c) The City of Christchurch Municipal Offices Act 1886: 30

(d) The City of Christchurch Municipal Offices Act 1906:

(e) The Christchurch Municipal Offices Leasing Act 1922.

(2) The repeal of the ordinances and enactments mentioned in subsection (1) of this section shall not affect any deed or instrument made, signed, or acknowledged or anything done or suffered or any estate, interest, right, or benefit created or conferred under or by virtue of any such ordinance or enactment. 35

(3) Nothing in this Act shall affect the validity of any lease or licence granted before the commencement of this Act in respect of the land described in the Schedule to this Act. 40

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SCHEDULE

Sections 3, 4, 5, 7, 8(3)

All that piece of land containing 417 square metres or thereabouts, situated in the City of Christchurch, being Lot 1 on Deposited Plan 54196, and being all the land comprised and described in certificate of title No. 31K/794 (Canterbury Land Registry).