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[LOCAL BILL.]

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A BILL INTITULED

Title.

An Act to provide for the Establishment of an Aerodrome for the District of Whangarei, for the Incorporation and Powers of an Airport Board in connection therewith, for the Conferring of Powers on the Whangarei Borough Council, the Whangarei County Council, and on the Hikurangi Town Board, the Kamo Town Board, and the Onerahi Town Board with respect thereto, and for regulating the Rights, Powers, and Privileges of the said Councils 10 and Boards with respect thereto.

WHEREAS the Whangarei Borough Council (herein- Preamble. after called the Borough Council), the Whangarei County Council (hereinafter called the County Council), and the Hikurangi Town Board, the Kamo Town Board, 5 and the Onerahi Town Board (hereinafter called the Combined Town Boards) are desirous of having an Airport Board constituted as hereinafter provided for the District of Whangarei, and of providing and establishing an aerodrome for the District of Whangarei 10 on the land described in the Schedule hereto: And whereas the Minister of Public Works is prepared to execute certain works on the said land in order to render the same suitable for an aerodrome: And whereas it is desirable in the public interest to confer additional 15 powers on the Borough Council, the County Council, and the Combined Town Boards as hereinafter appears: BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by authority

of the same as follows:—

20 1. This Act may be cited as the Whangarei Airport Short Titles Act, 1937.

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,— Interpretation.

"Aerodrome" means the land described in the Schedule hereto, and includes any lands acquired as or for an extension thereof, and also includes any other lands acquired for or used as an auxiliary or temporary aerodrome for the District of Whangarei, and also any aerodrome established or to be established upon any such lands:

"Board" means the Whangarei Airport Board

constituted under this Act:

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" Borough Council " \mathbf{the} means Whangarei Borough Council:

"County Council" means the Whangarei County Council:

"Combined Town Boards" means the Hikurangi Town Board, the Kamo Town Board, and the Onerahi Town Board:

"Controller of Civil Aviation" means the person appointed with that or any corresponding designation to control civil aviation pursuant to regulations under the Air Navigation Act. 1931:

45 "Financial year" means a period of twelve months ending on the thirty-first day of March in any year:

"Fine" means a fine to be recovered summarily under the Justices of the Peace Act, 1927:

"Special resolution" means a resolution passed at a meeting of the Board and confirmed at a subsequent meeting held not earlier than six clear days after the day on which the said resolution was passed.

The Board.

Airport Board to be established.

- 3. (1) There shall be established in accordance with this Act a Board to be called the Whangarei Airport 10 Board.
- (2) The Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal, capable of holding real and personal property, of suing and being sued, and of doing and suffering all such other acts 15 and things as bodies corporate may lawfully do and suffer.

Constitution of Board.

- 4. The Board shall consist of eight members who, except as hereinafter otherwise provided, shall be appointed in manner following:
 - (a) Three members shall be appointed by the Borough Council:

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- (b) Two members shall be appointed by the County Council:
- (c) One member shall be appointed by the Combined 25 Town Boards:
- (d) Two members shall be appointed by the Minister of Defence.

5. The powers and duties of the Board shall be exercised by it subject to the powers, privileges, and 30 duties hereinafter reserved to or conferred upon the Borough Council, the County Council, and the Combined

Town Boards respectively.

duties of Board.

Powers and

6. (1) If from any cause the County Council being under a duty to appoint a member of the Board shall 35 fail, neglect, or refuse so to do within the time appointed in that behalf, and such failure, neglect, or refusal shall continue for fourteen days after notice in writing shall have been given by the Borough Council to the County Council that the Borough Council intends to exercise its 40 powers hereunder, the Borough Council may appoint any person whomsoever being a bona fide resident of the County of Whangarei to be a member of the Board in lieu of the member who ought to have been so appointed by the County Council.

Borough Council may appoint members on failure of County Council to appoint.

(2) If from any cause the Borough Council being County Council under a duty to appoint a member of the Board shall may appoint foil neglect on reference to the shall may appoint members on fail, neglect, or refuse so to do within the time appointed failure of in that behalf, and such failure, neglect, or refusal shall Borough Council continue for fourteen days after notice in writing shall have been given by the County Council to the Borough Council that the County Council intends to exercise its powers hereunder, the County Council may appoint any person whomsoever being a bona fide resident of the 10 Borough of Whangarei to be a member of the Board in lieu of the member who ought to have been so appointed by the Borough Council.

(3) If from any cause the Combined Town Boards County Council being under a duty to appoint a member of the Board may appoint 15 shall fail, neglect, or refuse so to do within the time failure of appointed in that behalf, and such failure, neglect or Combined Town refusal shall continue for fourteen days after notice in appoint. writing shall have been given by the County Council to the Combined Town Boards that the County Council 20 intends to exercise its powers hereunder, the County Council may appoint any person whomsoever being a bona fide resident of Hikurangi, Kamo, or Onerahi Town District to be a member of the Board in lieu of the member who ought to have been so appointed by the 25 Combined Town Boards.

7. (1) The first appointment of members of the Appointment Board shall be made within a period of two months from of members. the passing of this Act.

- (2) In the year nineteen hundred and forty, and in 30 every third year thereafter, the members of the Board for the time being in office shall, subject to the provisions of subsection two of section fourteen hereof, vacate office on the thirtieth day of June, and new members shall be appointed to come into office on that date.
- (3) Retiring members shall be eligible for reappoint-35 ment either by the same or another appointing authority.
- (4) The Board shall not be concerned to see or inquire into the validity of any appointment of members, and shall be entitled to accept as conclusive evidence of 40 the validity thereof a notification of any such appointment in writing from the Town Clerk of the Borough Council or the Clerk of the County Council or a Clerk of one of the Combined Town Boards or the Minister of Defence, as the case may be.

Disqualification of members.

- **8.** (1) The following persons shall be incapable of being appointed to be or being members of the Board, that is to say:—
 - (a) An alien:

(b) A person of unsound mind:

(c) A bankrupt who has not obtained his order of discharge, or whose order of discharge is suspended for a term not yet expired or is subject to conditions not yet fulfilled:

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(d) A person convicted of any offence punishable 10 by imprisonment, unless he has received a free pardon or has served his sentence or otherwise suffered the penalty imposed upon him:

(e) Any person holding any office or place of profit under or in the gift of the Board.

(2) The Board is hereby declared to be a local authority for the purposes of the Local Authorities (Members' Contracts) Act, 1934.

9. (1) If any person while holding office as a member of the Board becomes incapable of continuing to hold 20° office under subsection one of the last preceding section his office shall be thereby vacated, and such vacancy shall

be deemed an extraordinary vacancy.

(2) Every person who does any act as a member of the Board while incapacitated under subsection one of 25 the last preceding section otherwise than under paragraph (b) thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Vacation of office by members.

Extraordinary vacancies.

> 10. (1) A member of the Board may resign his office by writing delivered to the Chairman or Secretary of 30 the Board, and in such case or in the case of his death or his absence without leave of the Board from three consecutive meetings of the Board his office shall become vacant, and such vacancy shall be deemed an extraordinary vacancy.

> (2) If any member of the Borough Council is appointed by it to be a member of the Board and thereafter ceases to be a member of the said Borough Council, he shall on the expiration of two months after he has so ceased to be a member of the Borough Council 40 vacate his office as a member of the Board, unless in the meantime he has been confirmed in his office by resolution of the Borough Council. Any vacancy so created shall be deemed an extraordinary vacancy.

11. (1) In the case of an extraordinary vacancy Appointment occurring in the office of a member of the Board—

(a) Such vacancy shall be filled subject to the vacancies. provisions hereof by the person or body by whom or on whose behalf the member of the

Board whose office has become vacated was

appointed:

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(b) It shall be the duty of the Board forthwith to report the fact to the person or body by whom the vacancy is to be filled.

(2) The appointment of a member to fill an extraordinary vacancy shall be made not later than one month after the vacancy occurs.

(3) A person appointed to be a member of the Board 15 to fill an extraordinary vacancy shall hold office so long only as his predecessor would have held it.

12. (1) No act or proceeding of the Board shall be Acts of Board invalidated or be deemed illegal in consequence only of not invalid the number of the members of such Board not being of members

20 complete at the time of such act or proceedings.

(2) All acts and proceedings of the Board shall, notwithstanding the fact that there was some defect in the appointment of any person as a member thereof or that any member is disqualified or not entitled to act or 25 vote, be as valid as if every such person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be and to act and vote as a member of the Board.

13. The Board shall be deemed to come into When Board existence as a corporate body as soon as any member deemed to 30 thereof has been duly appointed in accordance with the existence. provisions hereinbefore contained.

14. (1) Every member of the Board shall, unless he Term of sooner resigns, dies, or vacates his office, hold office until his successor comes into office.

(2) Except in the case of appointments made under 35 subsection two of section seven hereof before the day prescribed by that subsection for their taking effect, every member of the Board shall come into office at the time of his appointment.

15. No member of the Board shall be personally Members not 40 responsible for any act or omission of the Board or of personally any member thereof done or omitted in good faith in pursuance or in intended pursuance of the authority hereby conferred.

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though number incomplete.

Ouster of Office.

Ouster of office.

- 16. (1) Upon proof in the first instance by affidavit or otherwise that any member of the Board is or has become incapable of holding his office, the Magistrate's Court in the Borough of Whangarei may grant a summons calling upon the person holding such office to show cause why he should not be adjudged to be ousted of the same.
- (2) If on the return of such summons it appears to the Court, on affidavit or oral evidence on oath, that such 10 person is incapable of holding the said office, the Court may adjudge such person to be ousted of the same, and such person shall be ousted from such office accordingly.

(3) In any such proceeding the Magistrate's Court may exercise all the powers and authorities which it may 15 exercise in its ordinary jurisdiction in civil cases; and the procedure of such Court shall, so far as applicable, apply generally to proceedings had under this section.

(4) No question which may be tried under this section shall be tried in the Supreme Court; and no proceedings 20 in the Magistrate's Court hereunder shall be removable into the Supreme Court by certiorari or otherwise.

Committees.

Board may appoint standing or special committees.

- 17. (1) The Board may from time to time appoint standing or special committees consisting of two or more 25 persons, and may relegate to such committee any matters for consideration or inquiry or management or regulation, and may delegate to any such committee any of the powers and duties by this Act conferred or imposed upon the Board except the power to borrow money, to make 30 a by-law, to enter into a contract, or to institute an action.
- (2) It shall not be necessary that any person appointed to be a member of a committee under this section shall be a member of the Board.

18. (1) The Board may appoint a member of any committee to be the permanent Chairman thereof, and such power may be exercised by the committee where the Board, on the appointment of the committee, does not

appoint a Chairman.

(2) Any committee may from time to time appoint a Deputy Chairman to act in the absence of the Chairman.

Chairman of committee.

19. (1) The Board may at any time and from time Discharge, &c., to time discharge, alter, continue, or reconstitute any of committees. committee, or discharge any member of a committee, and if it thinks fit appoint another member in his stead.

(2) Every committee shall, unless sooner discharged by the Board, be deemed to be discharged on the coming into office of the members appointed at the triennial or other general appointment of the whole Board next after the appointment of the committee.

20. Every committee to which any powers or duties Committee are delegated as aforesaid may, without confirmation by may exercise the Board, exercise or perform the same in like manner powers. and with the same effect as the Board could itself have exercised or performed the same.

21. Every such committee shall be subject in all Committee 15 things to the control of the Board, and shall carry out to be subject to all directions, general or special, of the Board given in direction by relation to such committee or its affairs.

Proceedings of Board.

20 22. (1) The first meeting of the Board shall be held Proceedings at a time and place to be fixed in that behalf by the of Board. Borough Council.

(2) An annual meeting of the Board shall be held in the month of July in every year.

(3) Other meetings shall be held as the Board shall 25 from time to time determine.

(4) At the first meeting of the Board and at every annual meeting, and as often as the office of Chairman becomes vacant, the members shall elect one of their 30 number to be Chairman, who shall hold office until the appointment of his successor.

(5) At every meeting for the election of Chairman the Secretary of the Board shall preside, and, in any case of equality of votes, shall determine the election 35 by lot.

(6) The Chairman may be paid such annual allowance, not exceeding one hundred pounds, out of the General Fund as the Board from time to time fixes, but no alteration in the amount of such allowance shall take 40 effect during the term of office of any Chairman. For the purposes of this subsection a person re-elected as Chairman shall be considered a new Chairman.

(7) The Chairman shall preside at each meeting of the Board at which he is present, but in his absence from any meeting the members present shall elect a member to act as Chairman at such meeting.

(8) The Chairman at any meeting shall have a deliberative vote and, in case of an equality of votes,

shall also have a casting vote.

(9) No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Board unless at least a quorum of members is present thereat during the whole time at which the 10 business is transacted.

(10) A quorum shall consist of half of the whole number of the members of the Board (irrespective of any extraordinary vacancies) when that number is even and a majority of such members when the number is odd. 15

(11) A member of the Board shall not vote or take part in the discussion of any matter before the Board in which he has directly or indirectly by himself or his partner any pecuniary interest otherwise than as a member of an incorporated company in which there are 20 more than twenty members and of which he is not the general manager or manager. Any member knowingly offends against the provisions paragraph shall be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds for every such offence, and upon being so fined 25 his seat on the Board shall become vacant.

(12) Meetings of the Board shall be open to the public, but the Board, for sufficient cause, of which it shall be sole judge, may exclude strangers altogether from any meeting. The Chairman at any meeting may 30 order any constable or officer of the Board to exclude or remove any stranger from the meeting on account of noisy or disorderly conduct or intoxication.

(13) Subject to the provisions hereof, the Board may

regulate its own proceedings.

Chairman to give Information.

Chairman compelled to give information.

23. (1) The Chairman of the Board shall be compelled to give all information required of him by or on behalf of the Board on any matter requisite to enable the Board to carry into effect any of the provisions 40 hereof and to produce all books, papers, and documents belonging to the Board which relate to any such matter to any person authorized by the Board to apply for the same.

(2) If the Chairman refuses or neglects to give any such information when called upon so to do, or to produce all or any such books, papers, or documents as aforesaid, he shall be personally liable to a fine not 5 exceeding five pounds for every such refusal or neglect.

(3) The word "Chairman" in this section includes the Acting-Chairman for the time being, and also the person having the control over the books, papers, and

documents belonging to the Board.

Minutes of Proceedings.

24. (1) The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Minutes of proceedings of the Board in a book in which he shall proceedings to be kept. enter, subject to the directions of the Board, the names of the members attending each meeting and the names 15 of the members voting on each question on which there is a division, and every resolution, order, or other proceeding of the Board, and any other matter directed by the Board to be entered upon the minutes.

(2) The minutes of the proceedings of every meeting 20 shall be read at the next ordinary meeting succeeding, and, if approved by the Board, or when amended as directed by the Board, shall be signed by the Chairman

of each succeeding meeting.

(3) The minutes of proceedings of any meeting of 25 the Board kept as above provided, or an extract therefrom certified as correct by the Chairman or Secretary, shall, unless the contrary is proved, be received as evidence of such proceedings and of the due convening and holding of the meeting; and the validity 30 of all such proceedings shall be presumed unless the contrary is proved.

(4) The minute-book of the Board shall be kept in the office of the Board, and shall be open for inspection without fee during all office hours by any member of the 35 Board or of the Borough Council, the County Council, or of the Combined Town Boards, or any creditor of the

Board.

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Officers.

25. (1) The Board may by resolution from time to Appointment 40 time appoint fit persons to be Secretary, Treasurer, of officers Board. Manager, and all such other officers, pilots, officials, clerks, and servants, as it may deem necessary to assist

in the execution of the powers, duties, and authorities of the Board, and may pay such persons such salaries and allowances out of the funds of the Board as it thinks fit.

- (2) No member of the Board shall be capable of holding such office unless without remuneration.
 - (3) One person may hold two or more of such offices.
- (4) The Board may enter into an agreement in writing with any person whom it proposes to appoint or who has been appointed an officer or servant of the 10 Board to the effect that such person shall not, save as provided in such agreement, be removed from office during such period (not exceeding three years from the date of his appointment or the date of such agreement, as the case may be) as is stated in such agreement. Any 15 such agreement may from time to time be renewed for any period not exceeding three years at any one time from the date of such renewal.

Acting officers.

26. During the absence from duty of any officer of the Board by reason of illness, leave of absence, or other 20 cause the duties and powers of such officer may be performed and exercised by an acting officer appointed by the Board, and such appointment may be either general or for some occasion only.

Finance.

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Revenues of Board.

- 27. The revenues of the Board shall consist of the following moneys, that is to say:—
 - (a) All moneys which the Board shall receive by way of rents of lands or buildings or from grazing rights over any portion of the aerodrome:
 - (b) All moneys received as ground fees for the playing of games on the aerodrome lands:
 - (c) All moneys received for landing and housing
 - (d) All moneys received by way of grant from the 35 Government or from the Borough Council, or any other local authority, or from public subscriptions or donations:
 - (e) All moneys received by the Board for the use of the aerodrome or appurtenances thereto: 40
 - (f) All moneys received by the Board in the carrying-on of any business or undertaking as hereinbefore mentioned:

(g) All other moneys which may become the property of the Board.

28. If the Board shall make default for a period of Default in one month after demand in writing in payment of any 5 moneys payable by way of rent, or any rates, taxes, and outgoings, or any portion thereof, payable by the Board, the Borough Council may by notice in writing to the Board determine all the Board's powers and rights hereunder, and thereupon the provisions of subsection 10 two of section sixty-eight hereof shall apply as if the Board had been dissolved pursuant to the said section sixty-eight.

29. (1) All moneys belonging to the Board shall be Moneys of paid into such bank as the Board from time to time be paid 15 appoints.

- (2) All moneys raised by way of loan shall be paid into a separate account at the bank for each loan, which account shall be named according to the description of the loan.
- (3) All other moneys belonging to the Board shall 20 be paid into an account at the bank to be called "the General Fund."
- (4) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, the Board may, if it thinks 25 fit, pay into a separate bank account all moneys accruing from any business as hereinbefore mentioned undertaken by the Board or moneys appropriated and held by it for any special purpose.

(5) The Board may, if it thinks fit, keep such 30 separate accounts in its books as it deems necessary, and all such separate accounts shall be audited.

30. No moneys shall be drawn out of the bank except How moneys by authority of the Board, and all moneys shall be paid to be by the Board in cash or by cheque signed by the from bank. 35 Treasurer of the Board and countersigned by any two of such of its members as the Board from time to time authorizes to sign cheques.

31. The Board may, in any case where it is deemed Deposit at advisable that any sum of money at credit of any account 40 should be placed on deposit at interest, deposit such sum of money with any bank approved by the Board, or, with the consent of the Governor-General in Council. may deposit such sums with any other local authority entitled by law to receive moneys on deposit.

Board may pay travellingexpenses.

Board may acquire motorcars, &c., for official use of Chairman and members.

Moneys not to be paid by promissory note or bill.

Power of Board to settle claim.

How moneys of Board to be applied.

Board not to borrow except from the Borough Council.

32. It shall be lawful for the Board, if it thinks fit, to pay to any member thereof the amount reasonably and actually expended by him by way of travelling-expenses in attending the meetings of the Board or in the performance of his duties as a member of the Board.

33. The Board may hire, or may acquire and maintain, motor-cars or other means of conveyance for use in the performance by the Chairman and members of their official duties.

34. All moneys paid or purporting to be paid by the **10** Board by promissory note or bill shall be deemed to be moneys unlawfully expended or applied within the meaning of section one hundred and twenty-seven of the Public Revenues Act, 1926, and the provisions of that section shall apply with respect thereto accordingly.

35. The Board shall have power to compound with any person for such sum of money or other recompense as it think fit in respect of the breach of any contract or of any penalty incurred thereunder or of any debt due by or to the Board or of any damage done by the Board 20 or its servants, or to submit any such matter to arbitration, whether before or after any action or suit is brought for in respect of the same.

36. (1) All moneys received by the Board by way of revenue shall be applied in exercising the powers hereby 25 granted to or vested in the Board, including the establishing, managing, administering, and improving of the aerodrome, and generally in carrying into execution the purposes and objects of the Act in such a manner as the Board in its absolute discretion may think 30 fit.

(2) If in any year the Board shall have a surplus revenue after satisfying the requirements of the Board in the exercise of its powers as aforesaid and after setting aside so much thereof as may be considered necessary in anticipation of the future requirements of the Board, the balance of such surplus revenue shall be paid to the Borough Council and belong to the Corporation.

37. It shall not be lawful for the Board to borrow money except from the Borough Council, nor shall it 40 be lawful for the Board at the end of any year to owe, except to the Borough Council as aforesaid, any sum or sums in the aggregate greater than such part of the

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revenue of the Board for the year then ended as remains outstanding and unpaid and properly payable to the Board.

- 38. No claim of any creditor of the Board shall Neither 5 attach to or be paid out of the public revenues of New Government Zealand or out of the revenues of the Borough Council nor the or County Council or Combined Town Boards or attach to or be paid by the Government or by the Borough for the Council or County Council or Combined Town Boards. the Board.
- 39. (1) The Board shall keep full and correct 10 accounts of all moneys received and expended by it and keep proper of its assets and liabilities, and shall within twenty-eight days after the end of every financial year cause to be prepared a balance-sheet, together with a statement of 15 income and expenditure for that year.

(2) A copy of such balance-sheet and statement shall be sent to the Borough Council, the County Council, and the Controller of Civil Aviation within two months after the end of every financial year.

20 (3) All accounts of the Board shall be audited by the Audit Office, which for that purpose shall have and may exercise all such powers as it has under the Public Revenues Act, 1926, in respect of public moneys.

40. Any member or ratepayer may inspect the Inspection 25 accounts of the Board and take copies from any part of accounts by ratepayers thereof, at all reasonable times; and every person who and others. refuses or obstructs such inspection or copying of any account in his custody or control is liable to a fine not exceeding five pounds.

Borough Council responsible liabilities of

Board to accounts.

General Powers and Duties of Board.

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41. Subject to the conditions herein specified, the General powers. Board in connection with the providing, operating, and maintaining of an airport for the district of Whangarei may do the following things:-

(a) Provide, establish, and maintain the aerodrome:

(b) Provide, construct, and maintain landing and taking-off places for aircraft approaches, buildings, and other accommodation and apparatus and equipment for such aerodrome:

(c) Purchase, take on lease, or otherwise provide land for the extension of the aerodrome on the land described in the Schedule to this Act or for an auxiliary or temporary aerodrome for the district of Whangarei:

(d) Carry on in connection with the aerodrome any subsidiary business which in the opinion of the Governor-General in Council is ancillary to the

carrying-on of the aerodrome:

(e) Purchase, charter, hire, or otherwise acquire from time to time as the Board may consider desirable aircraft and all necessary, requisite, or usual fittings, gear, plant, spare parts, or accessories, belongings, and things appurtenant to such aircraft or for the repair of the same 10 or other aircraft:

(f) As a business ancillary to the carrying-on of the aerodrome, carry on the business of aircraft proprietors, carriers of passengers, general carriers, mail contractors, and manufacturers, 15 repairers, cleaners, warehousemen, and storers of and buyers, sellers, and dealers in aircraft of all descriptions, and engines, chassis, and bodies, and other articles and things description whatsoever used for orin **20** connection with aircraft:

(g) At the aerodrome, carry on the business of garage-proprietors, fitters, founders, jobbers, and suppliers of and dealers in petrol, oils, and lubricants, electrical goods, tires, and all 25 requisites, accessories, articles, and things used generally in connection with aircraft, or which are commonly supplied or dealt in by persons engaged in any such businesses, or which may seem to the Board capable of being profitably dealt with in connection with any of the said businesses:

(h) At the aerodrome, provide, erect, purchase, or otherwise acquire and maintain hangars, garages, and buildings for the housing of aircraft or for the repair, construction, and erection of aircraft, or for the repair, construction, and erection of aircraft petrolstations, stores, workshops, and other buildings necessary or desirable in the opinion of the 40 Board for the purposes of the airport, and to furnish and equip all or any of such buildings or erections, and to install therein all needful machinery, plant, appliances, appurtenances, and things:

- (i) At the aerodrome, erect or build hostels for the accommodation of guests and club-houses, and from time to time equip, furnish, and conduct the same and make schedules of charges, rules, and regulations, conditions of tenure, and other terms for the control and management of any such hostel or club-house:
- (j) At the aerodrome, erect, construct, and maintain searchlights, flood-lighting, or other lighting apparatus \mathbf{or} equipment, \mathbf{or} any apparatus \mathbf{or} equipment ofwhatsoever description necessary or desirable in the opinion of the Board for the operation of the aerodrome and the landing and taking-off of aircraft thereon or therefrom by day or by night:
 - (k) At the aerodrome, lay out, enclose, and plant or provide gardens, lawns, grounds, plantations, gymnasia, swimming-pools, pavilions, buildings, equipment, furnishings, and other things for the playing of games of whatsoever description or for any other purposes of public enjoyment or recreation:
- (l) On or near the sea-coast in the Borough of Whangarei or adjacent thereto, provide or otherwise acquire land, buildings, workshops, materials, plant, machinery, appliances, and other things for the housing, overhauling, repairing, and reconstruction of seaplanes:
 - Provided that no such buildings, workshops, or conveniences shall be erected below mean high-water mark, except with the consent of the Whangarei Harbour Board and in pursuance of an Order in Council under the provisions of the Harbours Act, 1923:
 - (m) From time to time, provide offices in the Borough of Whangarei or at the aerodrome with fitting furniture for the same for holding its meetings and transacting its business and for the use of its officers and for any other purposes, and purchase or take on lease land or buildings for such purposes or cause

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buildings to be erected on any land belonging to or leased to the Board or any such building to be added to or improved:

(n) Generally do all acts and things necessary for establishing the aerodrome, the business or 5 businesses hereinbefore mentioned, the constructing, maintaining, altering, and repairing and using the aerodrome, carrying on the said businesses, and providing transit to and from the aerodrome for passengers and other 10 persons arriving at or departing from such aerodrome by air.

42. Notwithstanding any of the provisions hereof, the Board shall not have power to establish or to apply any of its funds to the establishment of any 15 aerodrome or airport (or to purchase or otherwise acquire lands for an aerodrome or airport) to be run in opposition to the aerodrome or airport established upon the lands described in the Schedule to this Act:

Provided that nothing herein shall preclude the Board 20 from exercising its powers under paragraphs (c) and (l)of the *last preceding* section.

43. In exercising its powers and authorities hereunder the Board shall comply in all respects with the provisions of any by-laws applying to the aerodrome 25 and of the Air Navigation Act, 1931, and any regulations made thereunder, and of any other Act or regulations, and shall comply with all lawful requisitions made by the Controller of Civil Aviation or by the Minister of Defence.

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44. Where any electric line, telegraph-line, building, fence, tree, or other erection or obstruction (all hereinafter included in the term obstruction) situate on any land adjacent to the aerodrome in the opinion of the Board interferes with or is likely to interfere with the 35 operation of the aerodrome or the landing or taking-off of aircraft thereon or therefrom by day or night, the Board may with the consent in writing of the owner of any such obstruction, remove the same and re-erect or replant it in some other position, or pay to the owner 40 the cost of so doing, together with such further sum (if any) as may be agreed upon for compensation:

Board not te have power to establish aerodrome in opposition to aerodrome established on lands described in Schedule.

Board to comply with by-laws and regulations under the Air Navigation Act, 1931.

Board with consent of owner may remove obstructions on land adjacent to aerodrome.

Provided that this section shall not restrict any powers conferred on the Board by sections four and five of the Public Works Amendment Act, 1935.

45. Subject to the condition that nothing herein shall Control 5 limit or restrict any powers or duties vested in the of flying operations at Controller of Civil Aviation or any officer of the aerodrome and Government charged with the administration of by-laws and regulations under the Air Navigation Act, 1931, the air regulations control and supervision of flying operations on or about bound in Board. 10 the aerodrome, the use of the aerodrome by aircraft, and the administration and enforcing of the said regulations and of any by-laws relating to the aerodrome shall be vested in the Board.

46. (1) The Board may by special resolution make Board may 15 rules not inconsistent with any by-law applying to the aerodrome or with any regulations under the Air Navigation Act, 1931, or with any other Act or regulations providing for the control and supervision of flying operations on or about the aerodrome or the 20 manœuvring of aircraft on the aerodrome.

(2) Every person who commits a breach of any rule of the Board hereunder shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds.

(3) A copy of every rule made by the Board here-25 under shall within seven days after the making thereof be sent by the Board to the Minister of Defence, who may at any time within three months after the making of such rule disallow the same or any part thereof, and upon such disallowance being gazetted such rule or part 30 thereof shall cease to have any force; but such disallowance shall not affect the validity of anything theretofore done under the rule or part thereof so disallowed.

47. In the exercise of its powers and duties hereunder Board not 35 the Board shall not erect, construct, or make, or permit to make or suffer to be erected, constructed, or made any erections or permit buildings, erections, obstructions, or excavations, and erections at shall not plant or permit or suffer to be planted any in positions tree or shrub in any part of the aerodrome without first likely to 40 passing a special resolution that the land whereon such with flying building, erection, obstruction, or excavation is proposed operations. to be erected, constructed, or made, or whereon such tree is proposed to be planted is not required or likely to be required for the landing or taking-off of aircraft, 45 and is not in such a position that any such building,

erection, obstruction, excavation, or tree thereon is likely to restrict the free manœuvre of aircraft on or over the aerodrome:

Provided that the approval of the Controller of Civil Aviation must at all times be obtained to the erection or construction of any buildings or other possible obstructions to flying.

Board to insure property.

48. It shall be the duty of the Board to keep all buildings and other property of the Board insured against fire in their full insurable value in some 10 reputable company carrying on business in Whangarei.

Board to take out policy against employer's liability.

49. It shall be the duty of the Board to take out and maintain in some reputable company carrying on business in Whangarei a policy indemnifying the Board against all claims which might be made against it under the 15 Workers' Compensation Act, 1922, or at common law, in respect of compensation or damages payable to any workman or servant of the Board or his dependants, or which might be or become a charge upon the Board's

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Borough Council may take out policy against employer's liability.

50. In the event of the Board failing, neglecting, or refusing to take out and maintain any policy required under section forty-eight or section forty-nine hereof the Borough Council may take out such a policy or policies and recover the cost incurred in so doing from the Board 25 as a debt due to the Corporation.

interest in the said lands.

Board deemed to be owner and occupier of aerodrome lands for certain purposes.

51. For the purposes of the Rating Act, 1925, the Noxious Weeds Act, 1928, and the Health Act, 1920, the Board shall be deemed to be the owner and occupier of the aerodrome.

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Use of common seal.

52. The common seal of the Board shall not be affixed to any deed or instrument except in the presence of two of the members of the Board, and every deed or instrument for which such seal is required shall be signed by two of the members and by the Secretary of 35 the Board.

Contracts.

Mode of contracting.

53. (1) Any contract which if made between private persons must be by deed shall if made by the Board be in writing under the seal of the Board.

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(2) Any contract which if made between private persons must be in writing signed by the parties to be charged therewith shall if made by the Board be either under the seal of the Board or signed by two members of the Board on behalf of or by direction of the Board. 45

(3) Any contract which if made between private persons may be made verbally without writing may be similarly made by or on behalf of the Board by any two members acting by direction of the Board: but no verbal 5 contract shall be made for any sum exceeding twenty pounds.

Leases.

54. (1) The Board may, with the approval of the Power of Controller of Civil Aviation and subject to the terms 10 and conditions hereinafter mentioned, and upon such extent of additional terms and conditions not inconsistent with the provisions hereof as it deems fit, let by way of lease any land being part of the aerodrome upon terms permitting the lessee to erect thereon buildings for the 15 housing, repair, and construction of aircraft, or for accommodation-houses, hotels, general stores, petrolbuildings, equipment, or any other appurtenances necessary or desirable in the opinion of the Board for the purposes of the airport. 20

(2) No such lease shall be for a term exceeding ten

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(3) No building shall be erected by the lessee except in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Board and complying with the provisions of any

25 by-laws applying thereto.

- (4) If at any time during the term of any such lease the land demised thereby or any part thereof is required by the Board for the purposes of the aerodrome, the Board may terminate such lease as to the whole of the 30 demised land or so much as is required as aforesaid without the payment of compensation (unless the same be expressly authorized as hereinafter mentioned by the provisions of the lease) or liability to any action or claim for damages in respect of such termination.
- (5) Any such lease may contain a provision that upon the termination thereof as to the whole of the demised land or so much as is required as aforesaid the Board shall pay to the lessee compensation for the then value of the buildings then upon the demised land or the part thereof resumed, as the case may be, such value to be determined at the time of such termination of lease, and if not mutually agreed upon such value shall be determined by two arbitrators and their umpire pursuant to the provisions of the Arbitration Act, 1908:

leasing-powers.

Provided always that no such provision as aforesaid shall be contained in any such lease unless a further provision be also inserted therein fixing the maximum value of any buildings to be erected by the lessee upon the demised land.

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(6) If at any time during the term of any such lease the Board shall be of opinion that any building, erection, tree, or thing on any part of the demised land restricts or may restrict or in any way interferes with the free manœuvre of aircraft on or over the aerodrome, or in 10 any way whatsoever interferes with the full and efficient use of the aerodrome, the Board may require the lessee to remove any such building, erection, tree, or thing without the payment of compensation or liability to any action or claim for damages in respect thereof. In such 15 event the Board shall give written notice to the lessee requiring him within a period stated in such notice to remove such building, erection, tree, or thing, and if the lessee shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with the provisions of any such notice within the period therein 20 mentioned the Board may effect such removal, and the lessee shall upon demand by the Board pay to it the expenses incurred in and about such removal, or, at its option, the Board may terminate the lease and all the rights or privileges of the lessee thereunder.

Powers of Board as to surrender of lease, reduction of rent, &c.

55. The Board may by special resolution—

(a) Accept on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit a surrender of any lease whether with respect to the whole or any part of the land comprised in the lease:

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- (b) At any time or times during the currency of a lease, reduce the rent to be paid thereunder during the remainder or any part of the remainder of the term:
- (c) At any time or times during the currency or 35 after the determination of a lease compromise with the lessee for any rent due by him, or waive breaches of any term or condition of any lease.

Legal Proceedings.

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Persons authorized to represent Board.

56. In all proceedings in which the Board is concerned under any Act and in all proceedings in a Magistrate's Court or before any Justice the Chairman or any member appointed for the purpose by resolution of the Board, or the Secretary or any other officer of the Board appointed by the Chairman in writing under his hand, may represent and may act on behalf of the Board.

57. (1) No action or proceeding shall lie against the Notice to 5 Board or any member or officer of the Board or of any intention to committee appointed by the Board, or any other person commence acting under the authority or in the execution or intended execution or in pursuance of this Act, for any alleged irregularity or trespass or nuisance or negligence or 10 any act or omission whatsoever unless notice in writing specifying the cause of the action or proceeding and the name and residence of the intending plaintiff or prosecutor and of his solicitor or agent in the matter is given by the intending defendant one month at least 15 before the commencement of the action or proceeding.

(2) Every such action or proceeding shall be commenced within six months next after the act or thing complained of is done or omitted, or, in case of continuation of damage, within three months next 20 after the doing of such damage has ceased, and not

afterwards.

(3) Every such action or proceeding shall be laid and tried in the place where the cause of action or a material part thereof arose, and not elsewhere.

25 (4) In any such action or proceeding the defendant may plead generally that the act or thing complained of was done or omitted under the authority or in the execution or intended execution or in pursuance of this Act, and may give all special matter in evidence.

30 (5) On the trial or hearing of any such action or proceeding the plaintiff or prosecutor shall not be permitted to go into evidence of any cause or ground thereof not stated in the notice given by him under this

35 (6) The plaintiff in any such action shall not succeed if tender of sufficient amends is made by the defendant within one month after the giving of the notice of action; and in case no tender has been made the defendant may, in accordance with the practice of the

40 Court in which the action is brought, or by leave of the Court, at any time pay into the Court such sum of money as he thinks fit; thereupon such proceeding and order shall be had and made in and by the Court as may be had and made on the payment of money into 45 Court in an ordinary action.

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(7) In cases of injury to the person the person injured shall permit himself to be examined by any medical practitioner appointed by the Board, and in every case the property injured and all accounts and vouchers in respect of the injury (whether to person or property) may be examined by any person appointed by the Board or the Chairman.

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(8) In cases of injury to the person (whether resulting in death or not) the Court may, before or at the trial, waive the non-compliance or insufficient com- 10 pliance with subsections one and two hereof if satisfied that there was reasonable excuse, and on such terms as the Court thinks fit.

Persons anthorized to lay information or complaints. 58. Where under the provisions hereof or of any regulation under the Air Navigation Act, 1931, any 15 by-law or any rule of the Board respectively relating to the aerodrome proceedings may be taken against any person for a breach thereof respectively, such proceedings may (without in anyway restricting the powers vested in any other person in that behalf) be commenced upon 20 information or complaint laid by the Controller of Civil Aviation, by any officer of the Board or of the Borough Council, or by any person authorized by the Controller of Civil Aviation, the Board, or the Borough Council.

Authentication of documents by Board.

Service on Board.

- 59. Every order, notice, or other document requiring 25 authentication by the Board may, unless otherwise provided, be signed by any two members of the Board or by the Secretary, and need not be under seal.
- **60.** Any summons, writ, or other legal proceedings requiring to be served on the Board may be served by **30** being left at the office of the Board or given personally to the Secretary thereof.

By-laws.

Subject-matter of by-laws.

- **61.** (1) The Board may from time to time make such by-laws as it thinks fit for all or any of the following **35** purposes:—
 - (a) The good rule and government of the aerodrome:
 - (b) The more effectually carrying-out of any of the objects of the establishment and maintenance of the aerodrome:
 - (c) Regulating, controlling, or prohibiting any act, matter, or thing usually the subject of regulation, control, or prohibition by the controlling authorities of aerodromes:

- (d) Protecting any property of the Board from damage or injury:
- (e) Conserving public health and convenience and preventing and abating nuisances:
- (f) Concerning the construction and the repair of buildings:

(g) Regulating drainage or sanitation:

- (h) The management and control of any playing privileges and charges in connection with any game or sport authorized to be played on the lands comprising the aerodrome, and other matters pertaining to recreation on the said lands:
- (i) Prescribing the times, terms, and conditions upon 15 which the public may enter or be in or upon the aerodrome or be excluded therefrom or any part thereof, and granting power to the Board for its authorized servants to refuse admission expel persons whom it considers 20 objectionable or undesirable:

(i) Licensing persons to carry on in any part of the aerodrome any trade, calling, game, or amusement, or to afford any transport or other public

service thereon:

(k) The exclusion of dogs or other animals whether ejusdem generis or not therefrom and their destruction without payment of compensation if intruding therein.

(2) A copy of every by-law made by the Board shall 30 within seven days after the making thereof be sent by the Board to the Minister of Defence, who may at any time within three months after the making thereof disallow the same or any part thereof, and upon such disallowance being gazetted such by-law or part thereof 35 shall cease to have any force; but such disallowance shall not affect the validity of anything theretofore done under the by-law or part thereof so disallowed.

Miscellaneous Provisions.

62. Every person who damages any of the buildings, Penalties for 40 works, plant, machines, machinery, appliances, or damage to conveniences, erected or constructed or used under the aerodrome. provisions hereof shall be liable for the amount of such

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damage to be recovered by any person authorized in that behalf by the Board in any Court of competent jurisdiction, and if such damage be done wilfully shall be liable in addition to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

Penalties for obstructing officers and workmen of Board. **63.** Every person who wilfully obstructs, molests, or makes use of any threatening language to any officer of the Government, Borough Council, or Board workman, or other person who may be performing any duty or executing any work which he has lawful authority to do under or by virtue of the provisions hereof shall be liable 10 to a fine not exceeding *twenty* pounds.

Wilful damage to lights.

64. Every person who wilfully or negligently breaks, throws down, damages, or takes away any lamp, lighting-apparatus, or other work set up for the purpose of lighting the aerodrome or approaches thereto, or 15 wilfully extinguishes any light within such lamp, shall be liable for the amount of injury or damage done, and also in addition to a fine not exceeding *fifty* pounds.

Recovery of fines.

65. All fines recoverable under the provisions hereof or any rules made by the Board hereunder may be 20 recovered in a summary way before two or more Justices, and when recovered shall if not otherwise expressly provided for be paid into the Consolidated Fund.

Recovery of debts.

66. All moneys payable or owing by any person to the Board, whether in respect of revenue or otherwise 25 howsoever, may be recovered in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

Freedom of passage for officers of the Customs and Defence Departments,

67. Officers of Customs, officers of the Defence Department, officers of the Post and Telegraph Department, officers of the Air and Public Works Departments, and 30 officers of the Police Department, acting in the execution of their duty, shall at all times have free ingress, passage, and egress in, through, and out of the aerodrome and any buildings thereon.

Dissolution of Board.

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Governor-General may dissolve Board. **68.** (1) The Governor-General may at any time dissolve the Board in manner following:—

- (a) A petition praying the Governor-General to dissolve the Board signed on behalf of the Borough Council shall first be presented to the 40 Governor-General:
- (b) Upon receipt of such petition the Governor-General may appoint a Commission consisting of a Stipendiary Magistrate (who shall be

Chairman of the Commission) and two other persons to inquire into and report to him upon the advisability of complying with the prayer of the petition:

(c) If the Commission reports that the prayer of the petition should be given effect to, the Governor-General may by Order in Council dissolve the Board:

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(d) The cost of all proceedings under this subsection shall be borne by the petitioners.

(2) Upon such dissolution by the Governor-General— Upon

(a) All the property of the Board shall vest in the dissolution of Board Borough Council:

(b) The Borough Council shall thereafter be the in Borough Airport Board for Whangarei, with all the Council and powers of an aviation authority under the Council to Local Authorities Empowering Encouragement) Act, 1929, and all the powers conferred upon the Board as set out in this Act.

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Miscellaneous.

69. (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary Conferring contained in subsection two of section four of the Local additional Authorities Empowering (Aviation Encouragement) Act, Borough 25 1929, the Borough Council, the County Council, the Hikurangi Town Board, and the Kamo Town Board are and Town hereby empowered to agree between them to contribute towards the establishment and maintenance of the aerodrome, and any agreement made hitherto as 30 aforesaid is hereby validated.

contrary (2) Notwithstanding anything to \mathbf{the} contained in subsection two of section four and subsection one of section five of the Local Authorities Empowering (Aviation Encouragement) Act, 1929, the 35 Onerahi Town Board is hereby empowered to agree and contribute in like manner towards the establishment and maintenance of the aerodrome, and any agreement hitherto made as aforesaid is hereby validated.

(3) The Borough Council, the County Council, and 40 the Combined Town Boards are hereby empowered to enter into and execute such deeds of covenant and agreement with each other as may be requisite for the purpose of carrying out the intentions of this section.

powers on Boards.

Conferring power on Borough Council to raise special loans.

- 70. (1) The Borough Council may from time to time under and subject to the provisions of the Local Government Loans Board Act, 1926, and the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, raise a special loan or special loans for all or any of the following purposes, namely:—
 - (a) The establishment, development, improvement, or extension of the aerodrome:
 - (b) The construction of works necessary in connection with such establishment, development, or extension:

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- (c) The payment of moneys to the Minister of Public Works as contribution for the acquisition of land, the execution of works, and the construction of buildings for the purposes of the aerodrome:
- (d) The payment of all legal, survey, and other cost of and in preparation of this Act and the promotion thereof and the raising of the said loan or loans.
- (2) The Borough Council may pay any moneys out 20 of its General Fund for any such purpose or purposes and may reimburse the General Fund out of any special loan or loans.
- (3) Upon any such special loan being raised as aforesaid, the Borough Council may, with or without any 25 condition requiring the repayment thereof as hereinafter mentioned, pay the same or any part thereof to the Board without being liable to see to the proper expenditure thereof.
- (4) Upon any such special loan being raised and the 30 same or any part thereof paid to the Board as aforesaid, the Board shall apply the proceeds of such loan for the purposes for which such special loan was raised and for no other purpose.
- (5) Before the proceeds of any such special loan are paid over by the Borough Council to the Board the Borough Council and the Board may, by instrument in writing executed on behalf of both parties, agree that any such moneys as aforesaid shall be repaid to the Borough Council at such time, in such instalments, and upon such terms and conditions as shall be set out in such instrument. If no such instrument in writing be executed as aforesaid the Board shall not be liable to repay such moneys to the Borough Council.

71. Without limiting the power to borrow set forth in Power to subsection one of the last preceding section, the Borough Council may raise any special loan or special loans for all or any of the purposes set forth in the said subsection, 5 not exceeding in the aggregate a sum of fifteen thousand pounds, by special order or orders under the Local Bodies' Loans Act. 1926, without taking the steps prescribed in sections nine to thirteen of that Act.

72. The Borough Council may out of its General Borough 10 Fund pay and advance to the Board such sum or sums Council may make advance as it thinks fit, not exceeding in the aggregate two for expenses hundred pounds, towards any expenses that may be incurred by the Board before the end of the financial year in which it is constituted. All moneys advanced by the 15 Borough Council under this section shall be repayable by the Board on demand, and shall be recoverable by the Borough Council as a debt due to it by the Board.

73. (1) The Borough Council, the County Council, Borough and the Combined Town Boards may from time to time Council, County Council, and 20 out of their General Funds provide such sums as they combined think fit for the development, improvement, maintenance, and upkeep of the aerodrome, or for any work, plant, General Funds material, or thing the Board has power to undertake, purchase, or expend money upon, or for the payment of Board. 25 any liability incurred by the Board under the provisions of this Act, and pay such sums to the Board without being liable to see to the proper expenditure thereof.

(2) The Borough Council, before paying to the Board any such sum or sums, may attach such conditions or 30 directions as to the expenditure and application thereof as the Borough Council may by the resolution making such grant or grants or by any other resolution

determine.

Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

ALL that piece of land situated in the North Auckland Land District containing approximately 112 acres 2 roods, and comprising all or parts of the following allotments and streets or roads in the Town of Grahamtown: Parts Allotments 30 and 35; Lot 3 and parts Lots 1, 2, and 4, Deeds Plan 773, being Allotments 44 and part 38; part Allotment 38; Allotments 39, 42, 45, and 46; Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, D.P. 19381, being Allotments 40 and 41; parts Allotments 47 and 48; Allotments 49, 50, and 51; Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 13, and part Lot 6, Deeds Plan 772, being portions Allotments 52, 53, 54, and 58; Allotment 55; part Allotment 57; Allotments 68, 69, 70, and 71; parts Allotments 72, 74, and 75; Allotments 76, 77, 78, and 79; Lots 1, 2, and 3, D.P. 16594, being Allotment 80; parts Allotment 81; Allotments 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, and 88; parts Allotments 100, 101, and 102; Allotments 103 and 147; part Allotment 148; parts Allotment 149. Allotments 178 and 179: part Allotment 149. being Allotments 40 and 41; parts Allotments 47 and 48; parts Allotment 149; Allotments 178 and 179; part Allotment 180; Allotments 181, 182, and 183, and parts Allotment 184; part Allotment 185; Allotments 186, 187, and 188; part Allotment 211; Allotments 212, 213, 214, 215, and 216; parts Allotment 217; Allotments 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, and 223; Lots 1 to 6, D.P. 25284, being Allotments 224 and 225; Allotments 226, 227, 228, 229, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 242, 243, 244, and 245; parts Allotment 246; Allotments 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, and 259; part Allotment 260; Allotments 261, 262, 263, and 264; part Allotment 276; Allotments 388 and 391 (Grahamtown Domain); and including portions of the following streets-viz., Wilson Street, Graham Street, Handforth Street, Munro Street, Gloyn Road, Domain Road, Park Road, and McKenzie Avenue.