

of law, where a local authority or public body has been authorized before the passing of the said Act, or is thereafter authorized, to borrow money, whether pursuant to a poll of ratepayers or otherwise howsoever, whether the rate of interest or the term of years of the loan was or was not specified or determined, and such money or any part thereof has not been borrowed, the local authority may, with the precedent consent of the Minister of Finance, borrow such money, or such amount thereof as has not been borrowed, at such rate of interest, or for such term, as may be prescribed by the Governor-General by Order in Council:

And whereas the Raglan County Council has been authorized to borrow the sum of two thousand pounds for the purpose of forming and metalling Waitetuna Valley Road:

And whereas the Minister of Finance has given his precedent consent as required by the above-recited section eleven, and it is desired that the rate of interest at which the money may be borrowed be not exceeding six per centum per annum:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him as aforesaid, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby prescribe that the rate of interest that may be paid by the Raglan County Council in respect of the said loan of two thousand pounds shall be a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, and the said Raglan County Council is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum of two thousand pounds accordingly.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Validating Proceedings in connection with Eastbourne Borough Council's Loan of £11,000: £10,000 for Completion of Loan for Purchase of New Steamer and £1,000 for Protective Works.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 1st day of June, 1925.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Eastbourne Borough Council lately proceeded under the powers conferred by section one hundred and fourteen of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1924, to borrow by way of special loan under the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, a sum of ten thousand pounds for the purposes referred to in subsection two of the said section and a further sum of one thousand pounds for the purposes set out in subsection four of the said section, making together a loan of eleven thousand pounds (hereinafter referred to as "the said loan") and made a special order in that behalf by resolution passed on the eighth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and confirmed on the twelfth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five:

And whereas by the said special order it was (*inter alia*) provided that part of the security for the said loan should be a special rate secured upon the unimproved value of all rateable property within the Borough of Eastbourne:

And whereas the proceedings in connection with the said loan were irregular in that in the said special order it was (*inter alia*) provided that a sinking fund of one pound (£1) per centum should be established in connection with the said loan, whereas such sinking fund provision should instead have been stated as one pound (£1) per centum per annum:

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers of the said borough have not been misled by such irregularity as aforesaid, and it is expedient to validate the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on him by section one hundred and eleven of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though the said sinking fund rate had been correctly stated as being one pound per centum per annum, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan and of the security for the said loan shall not be called in question by reason only of the irregularity aforesaid.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*The Rhodes Memorial Convalescent Home (Incorporated) Regulations.*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 1st day of June, 1925.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance of and in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by an Act of the General Assembly of New Zealand intitled the Rhodes Memorial Convalescent Home Act, 1924, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, and being satisfied that the regulations set out in the Schedule hereto have been duly made by the committee under the powers conferred upon the committee by the said Act, doth hereby approve the said regulations.

SCHEDULE.

REGULATIONS.

1. IN these regulations, except where a different intention appears from the context and subject-matter,—

Words importing the masculine gender only, shall include the feminine gender:

Words importing the singular number only, include the plural number, and *vice versa*.

"Act" means the Rhodes Memorial Convalescent Home Act, 1924:

"Committee" means the persons for the time being entrusted with the management and control of the Home, and, until their successors are appointed, refers to the persons named in section 3 of the Act:

"Contributor" means any person or corporation who has donated a sum of not less than fifty guineas (£52 10s.) in one sum at any time to the Home or has subscribed a sum of £5 5s. during the last preceding year or a sum of not less than one guinea (£1 1s.) per annum during the last two years immediately preceding the annual general meeting.

"Home" means the Rhodes Memorial Convalescent Home as defined and incorporated by the Act.

2. The registered office of the Home shall be at Dyer's Pass Road, Cashmere, Christchurch, or at such other place as the Committee shall from time to time decide.

3. The seven persons named in section 3 of the said Act shall form the committee until a special general meeting of the contributors shall have been held (such meeting to be convened within three calendar months of the date hereof) when the said seven persons shall go out of office and the special general meeting shall elect the committee, which shall consist of not less than five nor more than seven members from persons qualified as hereinafter appears.

4. The committee shall have power to appoint any other persons to be members of the committee at any time before the first ordinary general meeting of the contributors, but so that the total number shall not at any time exceed the maximum number fixed as aforesaid.

5. The office of a member of the committee shall be vacated—

(a.) If he be found a mentally defective person within the meaning of the Mental Defectives Act, 1911, or become of unsound mind:

(b.) If he absents himself from the meetings of the committee during a period of three months without special leave from the committee.

(c.) If by notice in writing he resigns his office:

(d.) If he ceases to be a contributor as hereinbefore defined.

6. The committee shall have power to fill a vacancy in the committee occurring through death or through the operation of Regulation 5 hereof.

7. The continuing members of the committee may act, notwithstanding any vacancy in their body, but so that if the number falls below the minimum fixed by these regulations the committee shall not, except for the purpose of filling vacancies, act so long as the number is below the minimum.

8. At the first ordinary annual general meeting to be held and at every succeeding ordinary annual general meeting two members of the committee shall retire from office. A member of the committee so retiring shall retain office until the dissolution or adjournment of the meeting at which his successor is appointed.

9. The two members of the committee first to retire shall, unless the committee agree among themselves, be decided by lot. In every subsequent year the two members of the com-