

(2) All new debentures shall be numbered consecutively, and as between the holders thereof shall rank equally.

(3) Every new debenture shall state on its face the fact that the holder has no claim in respect thereof upon the Government or public revenues of New Zealand.

(4) Every new debenture shall be signed by the Chairman, countersigned by the Treasurer or some other officer appointed by the local authority for the purpose, and sealed with the common seal of the local authority.

PREMIUMS.

15. The holder of any existing securities to which this Order applies shall on the conversion of such securities be entitled to receive new securities for the same aggregate amount of principal as is secured by the existing securities, and, in addition thereto, shall be entitled to receive a premium on such principal computed in accordance with the Third Schedule hereto.

16. (1) Every premium to which any person is entitled under the last preceding clause shall be satisfied by issuing to him additional new securities for the amount of such premium.

(2) The power of the local authority to issue new securities in accordance with this Order shall be deemed to include the power to issue any additional new securities required for the purposes of this clause.

PLACE FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST.

17. The principal and interest in respect of new securities shall be payable in New Zealand.

SINKING FUND FOR UNCONVERTED SECURITIES.

18. (1) If dissent is signified in accordance with the provisions of this Order from the conversion of any existing securities issued in respect of the loan referred to in the First Schedule hereto, the local authority, in order to provide funds for the repayment of the unconverted securities issued in respect of such loan, shall forthwith make provision for the creation, pursuant to a resolution of the local authority, of a sinking fund, of which the persons who at the date of conversion were Sinking Fund Commissioners in respect of such loan shall be the first Commissioners.

(2) For such purpose the local authority shall permanently appropriate a sum which bears the same proportion to the annual contribution payable, before the date of conversion, to the existing sinking fund of such loan as the aggregate amount of principal secured by such unconverted securities bears to the aggregate amount of principal secured by all the existing securities issued in respect of such loan, and shall pay such sum to the Commissioners yearly and every year until the maturity date of such unconverted securities, or until the Commissioners are satisfied that the accumulations of sinking fund will suffice to redeem such securities at maturity.

(3) The first of such yearly payments shall be made not later than one year after the date on which the last annual contribution payable before the date of conversion to the existing sinking fund of such loan was payable.

(4) Subject to the provisions of this Order, the provisions of sections forty to forty-four of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926, shall, so far as applicable and with all necessary modifications, apply with respect to such sinking fund as if the local authority were a local authority within the meaning of that Act:

Provided that nothing in the said sections or in this Order shall authorize the removal or suspension of the Public Trustee as Commissioner of any sinking fund.

APPLICATION OF EXISTING SINKING FUNDS.

19. (1) The existing sinking fund of the loan referred to in the First Schedule hereto shall be applied by the Commissioner thereof in or towards making the following payments, in the following order of priority, namely:—

(a) First, in transferring to the Commissioners of the sinking fund hereinbefore required to be created for the unconverted securities issued in respect of such loan a sum which bears the same proportion to the amount of such existing sinking fund at the date of conversion as the aggregate amount of principal secured by such unconverted securities bears to the aggregate amount of principal secured by all the existing securities issued in respect of such loan; and

(b) Secondly, as far as it will extend in repayment as at the date of conversion of the principal secured by the existing securities.

(2) Interest up to the date of conversion on any existing securities so repaid in accordance with paragraph (b) of the last preceding subclause shall be paid by the local authority out of the local fund.

ADDITIONAL SECURITY.

20. (1) Where the local authority has heretofore executed in favour of the holder of any existing securities issued in respect of the loan referred to in the First Schedule hereto any deed of mortgage or charge over any of its property or revenues, the local authority shall on the conversion of such loan, if so required by such holder, execute in his favour by way of additional security for the new securities and unconverted securities in respect of such loan a new deed of mortgage or charge corresponding as nearly as circumstances will permit to the terms of the existing deed.

(2) On the execution of any new deed pursuant to the last preceding subclause the existing deed shall be surrendered to the local authority and be deemed to be cancelled.

SECURITIES HELD BY TRUSTEES.

21. The provisions of sections twenty-two, twenty-three, and twenty-four of the New Zealand Debt Conversion Act, 1932-33 (relating to the adjustment of premiums as between capital and income and to the powers of trustees and other persons in relation thereto), shall apply with respect to existing securities converted into new securities in