# CAMPERDOWN CEMETERY ACT.

## Act No. 14, 1948.

An Act to dedicate part of the Camperdown George VI. Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 21st May, 1948.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Camperdown short title Cemetery Act, 1948."

(2) This Act shall commence upon a day to be ment.

appointed by the Governor and notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

2. In this Act "Church of England Property Trust Definitions. Diocese of Sydney", "Diocese" and "Synod" have the meanings ascribed to those expressions in the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, as amended by subsequent Acts.

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3. The Act thirty-fourth Victoria, intituled "An Act to enable the Bishop of Sydney to convey certain Land and Premises known as the Camperdown Cemetery to Trustees upon certain Trusts with power to erect a Church and Parsonage on portions of the said land", in this Act referred to as the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871, is hereby repealed.

Dedication
of land in
First Schedule as a
public park.

- 4. (1) The land described in the First Schedule to this Act is hereby dedicated as a public park under the name of the "Camperdown Memorial Rest Park", and the said land shall be deemed to be a public park within the meaning of the Public Parks Act, 1912.
- (2) Of the trustees of the said land appointed under the Public Parks Act, 1912, one shall be appointed on the nomination of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney or, when such Synod is in recess, on the nomination of the Standing Committee of such Synod, and, upon the appointment of trustees of the cemetery area referred to in section six of this Act, one shall be appointed on the nomination of the trustees for the time being of that area and shall be one of such trustees.
- (3) The said park shall be maintained by the trustees thereof as a rest park and garden area and, not-withstanding anything in any other Act, the said trustees shall not use the said park or permit the same to be used for any other purpose.
- (4) Any estate or interest in the land described in the First Schedule to this Act which, immediately before the commencement of this Act, was vested in or held by the trustees appointed under the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871 or any other person is hereby divested, and the said trustees and all such other persons are hereby discharged from any duties, liabilities or obligations existing immediately before the commencement of this Act in respect of or in relation to the said land.
- (5) Any trusts, conditions, encumbrances or dedications affecting the said land immediately before the commencement of this Act are hereby revoked and annulled.

- (6) In respect of the land described in the First No. 14, 1948. Schedule to this Act, the Minister shall, as soon as practicable after the commencement of this Act—
  - (a) cause to be compiled an index plan and register of the names of and other relevant information in respect of persons buried in the said land, so far as such names and information can be obtained.

Such plan and register shall be deposited with the trustees of the redesigned and reconstructed cemetery area referred to in section six of this Act and shall be maintained by the said trustees so as to be available for inspection by any interested person from time to time;

- (b) subject to the provisions of this section and of section ten of this Act, cause the remains of any person buried in an historic grave or in a grave for the perpetual care of which a capital sum has been paid to the trustees appointed under the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871, together with the headstone, grave enclosure or other surface structure erected over the grave of such person, to be collected with due care and removed to the cemetery area referred to in section six of this Act, and shall cause any such remains so removed to be reverently reinterred and such headstone, grave enclosure or other surface structure to be re-erected;
- (c) subject to the provisions of this section and of section ten of this Act, cause all other headstones, grave enclosures, and surface structures on the said land to be removed and disposed of at the discretion of the Minister:

Provided that all such headstones and other surface structures as are reasonably capable of being so placed and as are suitable for the purpose shall be placed on the land described in the Second Schedule to this Act along the brick or stone wall referred to in paragraph (d) of this subsection;

(d) cause a brick or stone wall at least seven feet high and suitably buttressed to be erected on

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- the common boundary of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act and the land described in the Second Schedule to this Act.
- (7) On application made in writing within a period of six months from the commencement of this Act by the representatives of any person buried in the land described in the First Schedule to this Act—
  - (a) where such person was buried not more than twenty years before such commencement, or
  - (b) where such person was buried more than twenty years before such commencement and the grave in which such person is buried has, in the opinion of the Minister, received regular care during the period of five years immediately preceding such commencement or had some substantial repairs made to it during the period of ten years immediately preceding such commencement,

the Minister shall cause the remains of such person, together with the headstone, grave enclosure or other surface structure erected over the grave of such person, to be collected with due care and removed to the cemetery area referred to in section six of this Act or to another cemetery selected at the discretion of the Minister, and shall cause any such remains so removed to be reverently reinterred and such headstone, grave enclosure or other surface structure to be re-erected.

- (8) The trustees of the land described in the First Schedule to this Act appointed under the Public Parks Act, 1912, shall plant the said land with trees, lawns and flowers and may do such other things as they consider necessary to effect the conversion of such land into a rest park and garden area.
- 5. (1) Subject to this Act the land described in the Second Schedule to this Act is hereby vested in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney for an estate in fee simple to hold the same subject to the same trusts and for the same purposes as those upon and for which the trustees appointed under the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871 held such land immediately before the commencement of this Act:

Provided

Vesting of land in Second Schedule in Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney.

Provided that nothing contained in this subsection or No. 14, 1948. in subsection four of section six of this Act shall revive any exclusive right of interment in such land divested by subsection two of this section.

- (2) Any estate or interest in the said land which, immediately before the commencement of this Act, was vested in or held by the trustees appointed under the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871 or any other person is hereby divested, and the said trustees and all such other persons are hereby discharged from any duties, liabilities or obligations existing immediately before the commencement of this Act in respect of or in relation to the said land.
- (3) The provisions of sections twenty-six and thirtytwo of the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to so much of the land described in the Second Schedule to this Act as is not described in the notification in the Gazette referred to in subsection two of section six of this Act.
- 6. (1) The Minister shall have power to select any Redesign part of the land described in the Second Schedule to this and reconstruction of Act and to redesign and reconstruct such part as a cemetery cemetery area.

- (2) As soon as practicable after the exercise of such power of selection, the Minister shall cause to be published in the Gazette a notification containing a description of the part of the said land so selected.
- (3) The Minister shall thereupon cause the land described in such notification to be redesigned and reconstructed as a cemetery area, and for that purpose may cause the remains of any person buried in the land described in the Second Schedule to this Act together with the headstone, grave enclosure or other surface structure erected over the grave of such person, to be collected with due care and removed to any other part of the said land or to another cemetery selected at the discretion of the Minister, and shall cause any such remains so removed to be reverently reinterred and such headstone, grave enclosure or other surface structure to be re-erected.
- (4) (a) As soon as practicable after completion of the redesigning and reconstruction of the cemetery area pursuant to this section the Standing Committee

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of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney shall appoint trustees of such area. The trustees so appointed shall not exceed seven in number.

The persons first appointed as trustees shall include such of the persons who immediately before the commencement of this Act were trustees of the lands described in the First and Second Schedules to this Act as are living at the time of such appointment and prepared to accept appointment.

- (b) Such trustees shall have the care, control and management of such area and shall, subject to this Act, administer the same in accordance with the same trusts and for the same purposes as those upon and for which the land comprised in such area was held immediately before the commencement of this Act.
- (c) While such area is under the care, control and management of trustees appointed under this section the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney shall be discharged from any duty, obligation or liability arising out of or connected with the trusts and purposes upon and for which such area is held.
- (d) The Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney may appoint a new trustee to fill any vacancy occurring for any reason among the trustees appointed pursuant to this subsection.
- (5) (a) The Minister shall pay to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney an amount of ten thousand pounds which shall be invested by the said Church of England Property Trust in any of the securities authorised by the Trustee Act, 1925, as amended by subsequent Acts.
- (b) The said Church of England Property Trust shall as soon as practicable after the first day of July in each year pay the interest arising from such investment during the period of twelve months immediately preceding (after deducting therefrom any expenses reasonably incurred by the said Church of England Property Trust in connection with such investment during that period) to the trustees of the said cemetery area who shall apply such interest to the permanent upkeep of such area.

- 7. (1) All property (other than the land described in No. 14, 1948. the First and Second Schedules to this Act) which Property immediately before the commencement of this Act was other than land) vested vested in the trustees appointed under the Camperdown in trustees Cemetery Trust Act of 1871 (in this section referred to under Camperdown as the "cemetery trustees") in their capacity as such Cemetery trustees is hereby vested in the Church of England Trust Act of 1871. Property Trust Diocese of Sydney pending the appointment of trustees pursuant to subsection four of section six of this Act. Until such appointment the said Church of England Property Trust may apply such property for the same purposes as the cemetery trustees might have done but for this Act.
- (2) The said Church of England Property Trust may enforce, realise or discharge any security or charge existing immediately before the commencement of this Act in favour of the cemetery trustees in respect of any moneys advanced by them and may pursue the same remedies for the recovery of any such moneys as the cemetery trustees might have done but for this Act.
- (3) Upon the appointment of trustees pursuant to subsection four of section six of this Act—
  - (a) the said property or the residue thereof shall vest in the trustees so appointed and shall be applied by them in furtherance of the trusts and purposes referred to in paragraph (b) of the said subsection; and
  - (b) without prejudice to anything done, prior to such appointment, by the said Church of England Property Trust under the powers conferred by subsection two of this section, such powers shall, as from such appointment, cease and determine in respect of the said Church of England Property Trust and shall be exercisable thereafter by the trustees so appointed.

8. (1) Within a period of five years from the com- Erection of mencement of this Act or such further period or periods parish hall. as the Minister may allow, the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney shall cause to be erected on such part of the land described in the Second Schedule to this Act (exclusive of any land described in the notification in the Gazette referred to in subsection

- Mo. 14, 1948. two of section six of this Act) as may be agreed upon between the Minister and the said Church of England Property Trust a parish hall with appurtenances thereto to the value of not less than four thousand pounds.
  - (2) The Minister shall pay to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney towards the cost of erecting the said parish hall and appurtenances thereto amounts not exceeding four thousand pounds in the aggregate. Such amounts shall be paid in such manner and at such time or times as the Minister may determine.
  - (3) The Minister shall, as soon as practicable after the land upon which the said parish hall and appurtenances thereto are to be erected has been so agreed upon, cause the remains of any person buried in such land (so far as such remains can by reasonable diligence be discovered and identified), together with all headstones, grave enclosures and other surface structures, to be collected with due care and removed to the cemetery area referred to in section six of this Act, and shall cause any such remains so removed to be reverently reinterred and such headstones, grave enclosures and other surface structures to be re-erected.

Exclusive rights to burial.

9. Any person who immediately before the commencement of this Act was the holder of any exclusive right to burial within the land described in the First or Second Schedule to this Act may, within a period of one year from such commencement, apply in writing to the Minister to be granted a fresh exclusive right to burial and the Minister shall, as soon as practicable after any application has been so made, arrange for the provision to such person of a new burial site either in the cemetery area referred to in section six of this Act or in another cemetery selected at the discretion of the Minister.

Removal and reinterment of human remains by representatives.

10. At any time before the expiration of six months from the commencement of this Act or during such further period or periods as the Minister may in any case allow, the representatives of any person buried in the land described in the First or Second Schedule to this Act may, at their own expense, remove the headstone, grave enclosure or other surface structure erected over the grave of such person or may, at their own expense, and with the permission of the Director-General of Public Health, remove to such cemetery as they desire, No. 14, 1948. the remains of such person:

Provided that any such representatives shall give to the Minister not less than twenty-eight days' notice of their intention.

11. The Minister may arrange with the Minister of Carrying out any Government Department or with any person for the Government carrying out by such department or person of any work Departments required or authorised by or under this Act to be carried authorised authorised out by the Minister.

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12. All moneys required by the Minister for the Financial purpose of carrying out or giving effect to this Act shall provisions. be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament for the purpose.

13. Except where otherwise in this Act expressly Protection provided, no compensation shall be made or be payable from claims for compensation to any person in respect of the divesting of any estate sation. or interest by this Act or in respect of the performance of any act authorised by this Act.

14. The Registrar-General is authorised to make such Alteration entries with respect to the register book under the Real of register book. Property Act, 1900, and any certificate of title therein and duplicate thereof as may be advisable to give effect to this Act.

### SCHEDULES. FIRST SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land containing 8 acres 22½ perches be the same more or less situated in the Parish of Petersham, County of Cumberland, Municipality of Newtown, commencing at the junction of the south eastern side of Federation Street with the south western side of Church Street and bounded thence, on the north east, by Church Street bearing 160 degrees 34 minutes 40 seconds 210 feet 8½ inches and thence 160 degrees 23 minutes 49 feet 41 inches, on the south east by a line bearing 250 degrees 0 minutes 15 seconds 564 feet 11 inches, again on the north east by a line bearing 160 degrees 26 minutes 357 feet 11 inches, generally on the north west by lines bearing 70 degrees 5 minutes 30 feet 10½ inches, 160 degrees 5 minutes 31 feet 43 inches, 70 degrees 5 minutes 33 feet 5½ inches, 340 degrees 5 minutes 31 feet 4¾ inches and thence 70 degrees 5 minutes 368 feet 93 inches, again on the north east by a line bearing 159 degrees 37 minutes 103 feet 4 inches to Lennox Street, again on the south east by Lennox Street bearing 249 degrees 41 minutes 653 feet 84 inches, on the south west by the north eastern boundaries

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boundaries of lots 11 to 31 both inclusive in Deposited Plan 7 in all bearing 340 degrees 01 minute 698 feet 104 inches, and thence by lines bearing 70 degrees 28 minutes 1 foot 34 inches and thence 340 degrees 01 minute 33 feet 24 inches to Federation Street aforesaid, and again on the north west by Federation Street bearing 70 degrees 28 minutes 788 feet 6½ inches to the point of commencement.

#### SECOND SCHEDULE.

All that piece or parcel of land containing 4 acres 2 roods 374 perches be the same more or less situated in the Parish of Petersham, County of Cumberland, Municipality of Newtown, commencing on the south western side of Church Street, at the most casterly corner of the area 8 acres 22½ perches described in the first Schedule to this Act and bounded thence on the north cast by Church street bearing 160 degrees 23 minutes 378 feet 9¾ inches, generally on the south east by lines bearing 250 degrees 3 minutes 131 feet 11 inches, 339 degrees 37 minutes 20 feet 1½ inches, 250 degrees 5 minutes 368 feet 9¾ inches, 160 degrees 5 minutes 31 feet 4¾ inches, 250 degrees 5 minutes 33 feet 5½ inches, 340 degrees 5 minutes 31 feet 4¾ inches and thence 250 degrees 5 minutes 30 feet 10½ inches on the south west by a line bearing 340 degrees 26 minutes 357 feet 11 inches and on the north west by a line bearing 70 degrees 15 seconds 564 feet 11 inches to the point of commencement.