

who shall in the absence of the Mayor perform all the duties and functions of the Mayor of the said Town; that the services of the members of the said Town Council shall be
 5 wholly gratuitous, and that the oath to be taken by the members of the said Town Council shall be according to the following form, that is to say:

“I, A. B., do swear that I will faithfully
 10 “discharge the duties of Member of the
 “Town Council of the Town of Peterborough to the best of my ability: So help me
 “God.”

XIV. And be it enacted, That in case any
 15 vacancy at any time shall happen among the members of the Town Council by neglect or refusal to take the oath of office hereinbefore contained, within the time limited, or by death, removal from the Town, or from
 20 any other cause, the Town Council shall issue a precept to the proper officer who (unless otherwise ordered by the Town Council) shall be the High Bailiff of the said Town, to hold an election for the said
 25 ward, giving six days' notice of the time and place of holding the said election, and the member so elected shall hold his office until the next annual election, and until another is chosen in his place.

Provision as to
vacancies in
Town Council.

30 XV. And be it enacted, That in case any equality of votes shall happen at any election for the members of the said Town Council, it shall and may be lawful for the person presiding at the said election, and he is
 35 hereby required to give a casting vote, whether qualified as hereinbefore mentioned or not; and that except in cases of the votes being equal it shall not be lawful for the person presiding at any election under this Act,
 40 to vote at such election.

Person presiding at elections to have the casting vote.

XVI. And be it enacted, That if the election of any member of the Town Council

Provision with respect to con-