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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1989 No. 2413**

**The Youth Service (Northern Ireland) Order 1989**

The Youth Council for Northern Ireland

**Establishment**

- 3.—(1) There shall be established a body to be known as the Youth Council for Northern Ireland.
- (2) The Schedule (which makes provision for the constitution of the Youth Council and other matters) shall have effect.

**Functions**

- 4.—(1) In accordance with arrangements approved by the Department, the Youth Council shall—
- (a) advise the Department, [<sup>F1</sup>the Education Authority] and other bodies on the development of the youth service;
  - (b) encourage cross#community activity by the youth service;
  - (c) encourage the provision of facilities for the youth service and facilities which are especially beneficial to young persons; and
  - (d) encourage and assist the co#ordination and efficient use of the resources of the youth service.
- (2) The Youth Council may assist the efficient provision of administrative services (including training, equipment, and travel expenses) by voluntary headquarter organisations—
- (a) which provide facilities for the youth service; and
  - (b) whose activities are exercisable or whose services are available throughout Northern Ireland and not only in some particular locality.
- (3) For the purposes of its functions, the Youth Council, with the approval of the Department, may—
- (a) receive donations and make charges for its services;
  - (b) organise, or assist in the organisation of, conferences, seminars or courses of training;
  - (c) print, publish and disseminate information relating to the youth service;
  - (d) visit other parts of the United Kingdom and other countries;
  - (e) co#operate with other bodies in the exercise or pursuit of any of its functions;
  - (f) carry out, or assist or co#operate with other persons in carrying out, research into and studies concerning matters relating to the youth service.
- (4) The Department may, notwithstanding the provisions of any enactment rendering the performance of a function contingent upon the opinion of the Youth Council, give such directions as to the performance of the functions of the Youth Council as appear to the Department to be expedient.
- (5) If the Youth Council fails to carry out any of its functions under this Order, the Department may direct the Youth Council to carry out those functions and the direction may specify how the functions are to be carried out.

(6) The Youth Council shall comply with any direction given to it under this Article.

**Annotations:**

**F1** Words in [art. 4\(1\)\(a\)](#) substituted (1.4.2015) by [Education Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2014 \(c. 12\)](#), s. 7(2)(c), [Sch. 3 para. 12\(1\)](#) (with [Sch. 2 para. 4\(3\)](#)); S.R. 2015/35, art. 2(b)

**Grants**

**5.—**(1) The Department may, subject to such conditions as the Department thinks fit, make grants towards the expenses of the Youth Council.

(2) The Youth Council shall provide the Department with such information as the Department may require for the purposes of paragraph (1).

**Accounts**

**6.—**(1) The Youth Council shall keep, in such form as the Department may direct, accounts of all moneys received and all moneys paid out by it.

(2) In respect of each financial year—

- (a) the Youth Council shall prepare and submit to the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland a statement of accounts before such date in such form and containing such information as the Department, with the approval of the Department of Finance and Personnel, may direct and shall before that date send a copy thereof to the Department;
- (b) the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland shall examine and certify the statement of accounts submitted to him by the Youth Council; and
- (c) the Department shall lay before the Northern Ireland Assembly a copy of the certified statement of accounts of the Youth Council together with a copy of any report thereon of the Comptroller and Auditor General for Northern Ireland.

*Para. (3) rep. by 2003 NI 5*

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Youth Service (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, The Youth Council for Northern Ireland.