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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 2889**

**HOUSING, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Housing Renewal Grants  
(Services and Charges) Order 1996**

*Made - - - - 18th November 1996*  
*Laid before Parliament 26th November 1996*  
*Coming into force - - 17th December 1996*

The Secretary of State for the Environment, as respects England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as respects Wales, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 2(3)(b) of the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996(1) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order—

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Housing Renewal Grants (Services and Charges) Order 1996 and shall come into force on 17th December 1996.

**Specified services and charges**

2.—(1) The services and charges specified for the purposes of section 2(3)(b) of the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 (meaning of preliminary or ancillary services and charges) are those for which the applicant is liable in respect of—

- (a) confirmation, if sought by the local authority, that the applicant has an owner's interest,
- (b) technical and structural surveys,
- (c) design and preparation of plans and drawings,
- (d) preparation of schedules of relevant works,
- (e) assistance in completing forms,
- (f) advice on financing the costs of the relevant works which are not met by grant;
- (g) applications for building regulations approval (including application fee and preparation of related documents),
- (h) applications for planning permission (including application fee and preparation of related documents),

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(1) 1996 c. 53.

- (i) applications for listed building consent (including application fee and preparation of related documents),
- (j) applications for conservation area consent (including application fee and preparation of related documents),
- (k) obtaining of estimates,
- (l) advice on contracts,
- (m) consideration of tenders,
- (n) supervision of the relevant works,
- (o) disconnection and reconnection of electricity, gas, water or drainage utilities where this is necessitated by the relevant works, and
- (p) payment of contractors.

(2) In a case where the application is for disabled facilities grant, the services and charges of an occupational therapist in relation to the relevant works are also specified for those purposes.

Department of the Environment  
15th November 1996

*David Curry*  
Minister of State,

18th November 1996

*William Hague*  
Secretary of State for Wales

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order specifies services and charges which are relevant for the definition of “preliminary and ancillary services and charges” for which grant may be paid under Chapter I of Part I of the Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996 (grants for renewal of private sector housing).