STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 1206 (N.I. 13)

NORTHERN IRELAND

The Historic Churches (Northern Ireland) Order 1985

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made

31st July 1985

Coming into operation in accordance with Article 1(2) and (3)

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 31st day of July 1985 Present.

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas a draft of this Order has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974, and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1974 c. 28

Title and commencement

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Historic Churches (Northern Ireland) Order 1985.
- (2) Except as provided by paragraph (3), this Order shall come into operation on the expiration of 2 months from the day on which it is made.
- (3) Articles 4 and 6(a) shall come into operation on such day as the Head of the Department of the Environment may by order appoint.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

(2) In this Order "the Planning Order" means the Planning (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

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Grants and loans for preservation of historic churches

3. In Article 83(1) of the Planning Order (grants and loans for preservation of listed buildings) the words "other than a building specified in Article 33(1)" shall cease to have effect.

Extension of listed building consent to historic churches and certain other historic buildings

4. In Article 33 of the Planning Order (supplementary provisions about listed building consent) paragraph (1) shall cease to have effect

Committees of the Historic Buildings Council

- **5.** In Schedule 2 to the Planning Order for paragraph 4 there shall be substituted—
 - "4.—(1) The Council shall, subject to sub-paragraph (4), appoint such committees as the Department may determine.
 - (2) A committee appointed under this paragraph may include persons who are not members of the Council.
 - (3) Every member of a committee appointed under this paragraph, who, at the time of his appointment, was a member of the Council shall, if he ceases to be a member of the Council, also cease to be a member of the committee.
 - (4) The Department may, by regulations or direction, make provision with respect to the appointment, constitution or functions of committees appointed under this paragraph.
 - 4A. The Council may regulate its own quorum and procedure and that of its committees which shall be subject to the approval of the Department.".

Repeals

- **6.** In the Planning Order the following statutory provisions are hereby repealed, namely—
 - (a) Article 33(1);
 - (b) in Article 83(1) the words "other than a building specified in Article 33(1)".

G. I. de Deney, Clerk of the Privy Council.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order extends the power of the Department of the Environment to make grants or loans towards expenditure incurred in the repair or maintenance of churches which have been listed as being of special architectural or historic interest; brings such historic churches and other historic buildings within listed building control; and amends the constitution of the Historic Buildings Council to allow for the establishment of committees with members who are not also members of that Council.

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