

SCHEDULE 1

regulation 3

PART I

Rates support grant formula

1. For the purposes of this Schedule—
  - (a) a council’s wealth means its share of the Northern Ireland gross penny product, as calculated in accordance with this Schedule;
  - (b) a council’s needs means its share of the Northern Ireland adjusted population (including the additional needs of a council) as calculated in accordance with this Schedule.
2. The formula to determine a council’s entitlement to rates support grant shall be—

Wealth	Needs
$\left\{ \frac{\text{Council gross penny rate product}}{\text{Northern Ireland gross penny rate product}} \times 100 \right\} - \left\{ \frac{\text{Council home population adjusted}}{\text{Northern Ireland home population adjusted}} \times 100 \right\} = \text{Surplus or negative variance}$	

3. To calculate the proportion of rates support grant payable to a council, the total of negative variances shall be calculated and each council’s negative variance (if any) expressed as a percentage of the total.

$$\frac{\text{Council's negative variance}}{\text{Total of councils' negative variances}} \times 100 = \text{Percentage allocation of total grant}$$

PART II

Measures applied to adjust for additional needs

4. Measures applied to adjust for additional needs are—
  - (a) deprivation;
  - (b) an influx of additional population; and
  - (c) sparsity.
5. Measures, weighted in accordance with paragraph 7, to the extent specified in paragraph 6(1), which shall be applied to population data, to adjust for—
  - (a) deprivation, are—
    - (i) income deprivation scores; and
    - (ii) employment deprivation scores;
  - (b) an influx of additional population, are—
    - (i) tourist bed-nights; and
    - (ii) travel to work data;
  - (c) sparsity, are—
    - (i) population density; and
    - (ii) private household data.

*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).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

### **Extent of adjustment**

6.—(1) For the purposes of paragraph 4, the extent of adjustment made to the population of a local government district shall be in the same proportion as the total Northern Ireland expenditure on each key service relative to specified needs is to the total Northern Ireland expenditure.

- (2) The key services to which sub-paragraph (1) relates are—
- (a) community services;
  - (b) economic development;
  - (c) waste collection;
  - (d) other cleaning; and
  - (e) tourism.

### **Population Adjustment Methodology**

7. The Department shall adjust population to address—
- (a) deprivation in a local government district, by taking the following steps—
    - (i) application of the employment scores with a 50 percent weighting and income scores with a 50 percent weighting, making an adjustment of the proportion that community services expenditure is to total expenditure;
    - (ii) application of the employment scores with a 100 percent weighting, making an adjustment for each of the proportion that economic development expenditure is to total expenditure;
    - (iii) application of the income scores with a 50 percent weighting, making an adjustment of the proportion that tourism expenditure is to total expenditure;
  - (b) an influx of additional population into a local government district, by taking the following steps—
    - (i) application of tourist bed-nights factors with a 50 percent weighting, making an adjustment of the proportion that tourism expenditure is to total expenditure;
    - (ii) application of tourist bed-nights factors with a 50 percent weighting and travel to work factors with a 50 percent weighting, making an adjustment of the proportion that other cleaning expenditure is to total expenditure; and
  - (c) sparsity in a local government district, by taking the following step—

application of mid-year population density data with a 25 percent weighting and private household data with a 75 percent weighting, making an adjustment of the proportion that waste collection expenditure is to total expenditure.

8. The total adjustment which the Department shall make to the home population of a local government district shall be the sum of the results, which may be positive or negative, of the adjustments made in accordance with paragraphs 7(a), 7(b) and 7(c).