

1972 No. 263 (S.20)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SCOTLAND

**The Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) (No. 2)
Order 1972**

Made - - - - - 7th February 1972

*Laid before the Commons
House of Parliament* 14th February 1972

Coming into Operation 22nd February 1972

The Secretary of State, with the consent of the Treasury and after consultation with such associations of local authorities as appear to him to be concerned, in exercise of his powers under section 4 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966(a), section 92 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968(b) and section 3 of the Education (Milk) Act 1971(c) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

Title, Commencement and Interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1972 and shall come into operation on the day following the day on which it is approved by a resolution of the Commons House of Parliament.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) In this order “the Act” means the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966.

Aggregate Grants.

2. For the amounts prescribed by the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1971(e), for the purposes of rate support grants for the years 1971-72 and 1972-73 in respect of the matters indicated in column (1) of the following table, being the amounts set out in column (2) thereof, there shall be substituted the amounts specified in column (3) thereof—

(a) 1966 c. 51.

(c) 1971 c. 74.

(e) S.I. 1971/469 (1971, p. 1392).

(b) 1968 c. 49.

(d) 1889 c. 63.

TABLE

Column (1)	Column (2) £	Column (3) £
As the aggregate amount of rate support grants—		
For the year 1971—72 	251,200,000	267,550,000
For the year 1972—73 	265,730,000	282,640,000
As the amount of the needs element—		
For the year 1971—72 	176,920,000	189,090,000
For the year 1972—73 	186,450,000	199,030,000
As the amount of the resources element—		
For the year 1971—72 	58,970,000	63,030,000
For the year 1972—73 	62,150,000	66,350,000
As the amount of the domestic element—		
For the year 1971—72 	15,310,000	15,430,000
For the year 1972—73 	17,130,000	17,260,000

Apportionment of Needs Element

3. It is hereby prescribed, as respects the year 1972-73:—

under paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 1 to the Act that the needs element for each year as reduced by the roads portion and under paragraph 4 of the said Part I shall first be apportioned to all counties and those burghs which are counties or cities in proportion to their weighted populations determined as provided in the Schedule to this order, and the sums so apportioned shall, subject to adjustment in accordance with paragraph 5 of the said Part I, be further apportioned in accordance with paragraph 2 of the said Part I.

Gordon Campbell,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh,

3rd February 1972.

We consent.

Keith Speed,
V. H. Goodhew,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

7th February 1972.

Article 3

SCHEDULE

DETERMINATION OF WEIGHTED POPULATION FOR APPORTIONMENT
OF NEEDS ELEMENT

1. The weighted population of a county or a burgh (being a county of a city) shall be the sum of the following, calculated by the Secretary of State in relation to the county or burgh, that is to say:—

- (a) the total population;
- (b) twice the number of children under 15 in excess of 27 per cent. of the total population;
- (c) twice the number of persons over 65 years of age in excess of 14 per cent. of the total population;
- (d) the number of education units which shall be the sum of the following:—
 - (i) the sum of the products of the number of pupils in each of the categories in column (1) of Table 1 annexed to this Schedule and the number specified in the same line in column (2) of that Table; and
 - (ii) the number formed by multiplying by 6 the number of thousands of midday meals produced by the education authority during the year ending one year before the start of the grant year;
- (e) where an increase of population during the 5 years immediately preceding the year in question exceeds 5 per cent of the population in the first year of that period of 5 years, or where a decrease of population during the 5 years immediately preceding the year in question exceeds 8 per cent of the population in the first year of that period of 5 years, twice the number of persons by which the net increase or decrease of the population during the period 10 years immediately preceding the year in question exceeds 5 per cent of the population in the first year of that period of 10 years;
- (f) where the proportion which the total population bears to the number of miles of roads is as specified in any line in column (1) of Table 2 annexed to this Schedule, the number which is derived from applying the percentage specified in the same line in column (2) of that Table to the sum of the figures calculated in accordance with sub-paragraphs (a) to (e) of this paragraph; and
- (g) in the case of a county, where the proportion which the population of the landward area (or, in the case of a combined county, the landward areas) bears to the total population is as specified in any line in column (1) of Table 3 annexed to this Schedule, the number which is derived from applying the percentage specified in the same line in column (2) of that Table to the sum of the figures calculated in accordance with sub-paragraphs (a) to (f) of this paragraph.

2. For the purposes of this Schedule:—

- (a) the total population of any county or burgh, the number of children under 15 years of age and the number of persons over 65 years of age in any such population and the population of the landward area (or areas) of any county shall be calculated by reference to estimates of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages in Scotland relating to the 30th June in the year immediately preceding the grant year;
- (b) the number of primary pupils or secondary pupils shall be the number of pupils who are receiving primary education or secondary education respectively within the meaning of the Education (Scotland) Act 1962(a) in public schools or under special arrangements made by the education authority under section 14 of that Act and who are not attending special schools;

(a) 1962 c. 47.

- (c) the number of special school pupils shall be the number of pupils attending special schools under the management of the education authority;
- (d) the number of pupils in the various categories shall be calculated by reference to certificates of the education authority relating to the year ending on the 31st July in the year immediately preceding the grant year; and
- (e) the number of miles of roads shall be calculated by reference to estimates of the Secretary of State relating to the 16th May in the year immediately preceding the grant year.

3. In this Schedule:—

- (a) “county” means a county (or, in relation to counties combined for the purposes mentioned in section 118(1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1947(a) the combined county) inclusive of any burgh situated therein, other than a burgh which is a county of a city;
- (b) “grant year” in relation to the needs element of rate support grants means the year for which the grants are payable;
- (c) “public school” and “special school” have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Education (Scotland) Act 1962; and
- (d) “roads” means roads maintained and managed by the Secretary of State or by a local authority, and includes any sea route between two places in a county which the Secretary of State has determined under section 6(2) of the Act is to be treated as if it were a road in the county.

TABLE 1

<i>Category</i> <i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Weighting</i> <i>Column (2)</i>
Primary pupil	6·0
Secondary pupil under age 16	13·8
age 16 and over	20·7
Special school pupil	16·5

TABLE 2

PROPORTION OF TOTAL POPULATION TO MILES OF ROADS

<i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Percentage</i> <i>Column (2)</i>
Under 19 to 1	60·0
Under 24 to 1 and not under 19	52·5
Under 32 to 1 and not under 24	40·0
Under 42 to 1 and not under 32	32·5
Under 44 to 1 and not under 42	25·0
Under 46 to 1 and not under 44	19·0
Under 48 to 1 and not under 46	15·0
Under 50 to 1 and not under 48	13·0
Under 52 to 1 and not under 50	11·5
Under 54 to 1 and not under 52	10·0
Under 56 to 1 and not under 54	8·5
Under 58 to 1 and not under 56	7·0
Under 60 to 1 and not under 58	6·0
Under 62 to 1 and not under 60	5·0
Under 64 to 1 and not under 62	4·0
Under 66 to 1 and not under 64	3·0
Under 68 to 1 and not under 66	2·0
Under 70 to 1 and not under 68	1·0
70 to 1 and over	Nil

(a) 1947 c. 43.

TABLE 3

PROPORTION OF POPULATION IN LANDWARD AREA OF COUNTY
TO TOTAL POPULATION

<i>Column (1)</i>	<i>Percentage Column (2)</i>
90 per cent and over	60
Under 90 per cent, not under 82.5 per cent	40
Under 82.5 per cent, not under 72.5 per cent	25
Under 72.5 per cent, not under 52.5 per cent	5
Under 52.5 per cent	Nil

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order increases the aggregate amounts of the rate support grants and the amounts of the needs, resources and domestic elements payable for the years 1971-72 and 1972-73 under Part I of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966 to county and town councils in Scotland, and, for the year 1972-73 only, varies certain of the matters prescribed by the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1971 in relation to the distribution of needs element.

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