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 STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS
 

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1980 No. 1382

## AGRICULTURE

## AGRICULTURAL GRANTS, GOODS AND SERVICES

**The Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation (Variation)  
Scheme 1980**
*Laid before Parliament in draft**Made - - - - 11th September 1980**Coming into operation 1st October 1980*

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 61 and 62 of the Agriculture Act 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby make the following scheme, a draft whereof has been laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:—

*Citation, application and commencement*

1. This scheme, which applies throughout the United Kingdom, may be cited as the Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation (Variation) Scheme 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1980.

*Variation*

2. The Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation Scheme 1971(b) shall be further varied as follows:

(a) For paragraph 4 thereof shall be substituted the following paragraph—

*“Amount of grant*

4.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, the amount of any grant in respect of any approved proposal shall be at the dis-

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(a) 1967 c. 22; sections 61 and 62 are to be read with the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No. 1) Order 1978 (S.I. 1978/272).

(b) S.I. 1971/415; paragraph 4 was previously varied by S.I. 1977/846.

cretion of the appropriate Minister, and may be calculated by reference to expenditure reasonably incurred by the applicant in the carrying out of the approved proposal, by reference to an estimate of expenditure so incurred, by reference to a fixed sum determined by the appropriate Minister, or in any other way.

(2)(a) The amount of any grant in respect of any approved proposal shall not, insofar as it relates to expenditure incurred in connection with anything described in column 1 of the Schedule to this scheme (hereinafter called "the Schedule") exceed the appropriate percentage of expenditure, reasonably incurred, as is specified in relation thereto in column 2 of the Schedule, and no grant shall be payable in respect of any proposal of a kind described in items 1 to 17 of column 1 of the Schedule unless it appears to the appropriate Minister that the expenditure to be incurred in connection therewith will be of a capital nature.

(b) In sub-paragraph (2)(a) of this paragraph the term "appropriate percentage" means—

- (i) in relation to work done, materials supplied, or plant or equipment installed or used by or to the order of any co-operative association in furtherance of the objects of that association, on land not used for agriculture, the figure specified in Division A of column 2 of the Schedule;
- (ii) in relation to work done, materials supplied, or plant or equipment installed or used by or to the order of any co-operative association in furtherance of the objects of that association, on land used for agriculture, the figure specified in Division B of column 2 of the Schedule;
- (iii) in relation to items 18–22 of column 1 of the Schedule, the figure specified in Division C of column 2 thereof.

(3) The amount of any grant in any other case where it is related to the cost reasonably incurred, or the cost estimated by the appropriate Minister to be so incurred, in carrying out the approved proposal shall not exceed 75 per cent. of that cost or estimated cost, as the case may be."

(b) The Schedule to this Scheme shall be appended as the Schedule thereto.

(c) Sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) of paragraph 13 thereof shall be deleted.

#### *Consequential provisions*

3. The Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation (Variation) Scheme 1977(a) shall not apply to any proposal submitted to the Council on or after 1st October 1980.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 8th August 1980.

(L.S.)

*Peter Walker,*  
Minister of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Food.

28th August 1980.

*George Younger,*  
Secretary of State for Scotland.

13th August 1980.

*Nicholas Edwards,*  
Secretary of State for Wales.

We approve,

11th September 1980.

*Carol Mather,*  
*John MacGregor,*  
Two of the Lords Commissioners  
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

## Paragraph 4(2)

## THE SCHEDULE

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2		
Kind of work, facility or transaction	Grant Payable		
	Division A	Division B	Division C
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BUILDINGS</b></p> <p>1. Provision, replacement, improvement, alteration, enlargement or reconditioning of:  Permanent buildings ... ..  (Except living accommodation and the provision or enlargement of buildings designed and intended for the production of horticultural produce, and excluding works and facilities specified in Paragraph 2 of this Schedule).</p> <p>Silos  Bulk dry stores  Permanent yards, loading platforms, ramps and banks</p>	32½	—	—
<p>2. Replacement, improvement, alteration or reconditioning of existing permanent buildings, of permanently sited frames and of durable structures for cladding with plastic, designed and intended for horticultural use ... ..</p>	32½	—	—
<p>3. Supply and installation of permanent thermal insulation, vapour sealing or gas sealing for the control of temperature or atmosphere in buildings designed for horticultural use and potato storage ... ..</p>	32½	—	—
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FACILITIES</b></p> <p>4. Provision, replacement or improvement of systems for the disposal of sewage, effluent, and waste (other than from dwelling houses) ...</p>	32½	—	—
<p>5. Provision, replacement or improvement of systems for the supply of water, gas and electricity (other than for dwelling houses) ... ..</p>	32½	—	—
<p>6. Provision, replacement or improvement of:  Roads, paths and other permanent ways;  Hard standings, fords, bridges, creeps, under-passes, culverts, railway-crossings, piers, jetties or slips;  Sheep grids or cattle grids;  Permanent fences, hedges, walls or gates;  Shelter belts.</p>	32½	—	—

THE SCHEDULE—*cont.*

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2		
<i>Kind of work, facility or transaction</i>	<i>Grant Payable</i>		
	<i>Division A</i>	<i>Division B</i>	<i>Division C</i>
<b>LAND IMPROVEMENT</b>			
7. Clearance and reclamation of land; land-levelling work (including filling-in of ponds, ditches and depressions) ... ..	32½	—	—
8. Drainage, including under-drainage and ditching ... ..	32½	—	—
9. Provision or improvement of flood protection work; protection or improvement of river banks ... ..	32½	—	—
<b>PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FOR PRODUCTION AND HARVESTING</b>			
10. Supply and installation of the following kinds of new plant and equipment to be used for, or in connection with, the production and harvesting of horticultural produce:—			
(i) Plant and equipment for the control of environment in buildings (including parts of buildings) and in durable structures clad with plastic;			
(ii) Irrigation equipment for use in the open or in structures other than permanent buildings;			
(iii) Plant and equipment for the handling, preparation or treatment (other than the sterilisation by heat or cultivation) of soil, compost or other media for growing horticultural produce;	—	15	—
(iv) Plant and equipment for the control (other than by cultivation) of pests and diseases of, and weeds among, horticultural produce;			
(v) Plant and equipment for the movement of horticultural produce, or for the movement of materials and equipment used in connection with the growing of horticultural produce;			
(vi) Equipment and containers specifically designed for the growing of horticultural produce;			
(vii) Miscellaneous plant and equipment used in connection with the production and harvesting of horticultural produce.			

THE SCHEDULE—*cont.*

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2		
<i>Kind of work, facility or transaction</i>	<i>Grant Payable</i>		
	<i>Division A</i>	<i>Division B</i>	<i>Division C</i>
11. Supply of new equipment for the harvesting of horticultural produce (other than produce specified in paragraph 12 of this Schedule) ...	—	15	—
12. Supply of new equipment for the harvesting of potatoes (including early and seed potatoes) ... ..	—	20	—
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FOR STORAGE AND PREPARATION FOR MARKET			
13. Supply and installation of the following kinds of new plant and equipment for the storage and preparation for market of agricultural and horticultural produce:— (i) Plant and equipment for potato grading (ii) Plant and equipment for potato storage (iii) Plant and equipment for grain storage.	25	15	—
14. Supply and installation of the following kinds of new plant and equipment for the storage or preparation for market of horticultural produce:— (i) Plant and equipment for the control of temperature or atmosphere; (ii) Plant and equipment for the movement of produce or containers; (iii) Plant and equipment for size, weight and quality grading; (iv) Plant and equipment for preparation for market; (v) Plant and equipment for packing; (vi) Plant and equipment for pre-packaging; (vii) Miscellaneous plant and equipment used in connection with the storage and preparation for market of horticultural produce.	25	15	—
15. Supply and installation of new plant and equipment for pea, bean and vegetable cooling	25	—	—
16. Provision or replacement of fencing and static weighers for livestock collection centres...	25	15	—
17. Any work or facility incidental to the carrying out or provision of any work or facility specified in paragraphs 1–16 of this Schedule or necessary or proper in carrying out or providing the said work or facility or securing the full benefit thereof.	The rate appropriate to that work or facility in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme.		

THE SCHEDULE—*cont.*

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2		
<i>Kind of work, facility or transaction</i>	<i>Grant Payable</i>		
	<i>Division A</i>	<i>Division B</i>	<i>Division C</i>
18. Payment of salaries, wages and expenses of Managerial or other key staff, or fees for management services, for a period not exceeding three years within the first five years from the date of commencement of the co-operative's operations or from a date when, in the appropriate Minister's opinion, the co-operative began to engage in operations so distinct in character from those in which it was previously engaged as to constitute a wholly new commercial venture.	—	—	33½
19. Conducting surveys, studies or other research ... ..	—	—	75
20. Training of managerial or other key staff	—	—	75
21. Setting up a co-operative association ...	—	—	75
22. Any approved proposal for research of a kind proposed by the Council and to be carried out or promoted by an applicant approved by them ... ..	—	—	90

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Scheme.)*

This scheme varies the Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation Scheme 1971. The principal changes are:

- (a) the substitution of rates of grant specified in the Scheme itself for rates hitherto determined (in relation to capital expenditure) by reference to the Horticulture Capital Grant Scheme 1973 (S.I. 1973/1945) and the Farm Capital Grant Scheme 1973 (S.I. 1973/1965);
- (b) the removal from paragraph 4 of the scheme to a Schedule of the detailed provisions as to rates of grant;
- (c) the deletion of sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) of paragraph 13 of the scheme (which made certain provisions with reference to a separate banking account to be maintained by the Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation for the purposes of section 61 of the Agriculture Act 1967/(C.22)), and
- (d) the consequential provision that the Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation (Variation) Scheme 1977 ceases to apply to proposals submitted to the Council after 1st October 1980.

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