
S T A T U T O R Y I N S T R U M E N T S

1980 No. 73 (S. 5)

HOUSING, SCOTLAND

The Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1980

Laid before the Commons House of Parliament in draft

Made - - - - 16th January 1980

Coming into Operation 1st April 1980

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 1 and 2 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1978(a) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, with the consent of the Treasury and after consulting such associations of local authorities as appear to me to be concerned, I hereby make the following order, a draft of which has been approved by the Commons House of Parliament:—

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1980.

(2) In this order—

“the 1978 Act” means the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1978;

“the order of 1979” means the Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1979(b).

Aggregate grant for 1980–81

2.—(1) The aggregate amount of the housing support grants, fixed in accordance with section 1 of the 1978 Act, for 1980–81 shall be £184,800,000.

(2) This sum shall be reduced by £69,319, being the sum of substantial differences in the actual amounts spent by certain authorities on the provision of hostels in 1979–80 as compared with the Secretary of State's estimates of such expenditures in determining the proportions of the hostel portion of housing support grant payable to these authorities for 1979–80.

Apportionment of housing support grants for 1980–81

3.—(1) Prior to the adjustment in accordance with paragraph (2) of article 2 of this order, the aggregate amount of the housing support grants for the year 1980–81 shall be divided into three portions hereinafter referred to as the “general portion”, the “transitional portion” and the “hostel portion”.

(2) The general portion shall amount to £122,492,541 and shall be apportioned among local authorities in proportion to their net expenditure assessed in the manner provided in the Schedule to this order.

(a) 1978 c. 14.

(b) S.I. 1979/100.

(3) The transitional portion shall amount to £61,246,270 and shall be apportioned among local authorities in proportion to their estimated entitlements to payments of subsidies for the year 1978–79 under the enactments described in Part I of Schedule 1 to the 1978 Act.

(4) The hostel portion shall amount to £1,061,189 and shall be apportioned among local authorities in proportion to their estimated net expenditures for the year 1980–81 on the provision of hostels and lodging-houses.

4.—(1) Where the amount of housing support grant which would otherwise be apportionable in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3) of article 3 of this order to any local authority is less than the amount of housing support grant apportioned to that authority for 1979–80 in accordance with paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of article 3 of the order of 1979, and where the difference between these two amounts is more than a product per house determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (3) of this article the amount of housing support grant shall be increased so that the difference does not exceed that product.

(2) From the amount apportionable in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3) of article 3 of this order to any authority which receives no increase under paragraph (1) of this article there shall be made such a deduction, proportionate in each case to the amount thus apportioned, as will secure that the total of deductions in accordance with this paragraph is equal to the total of increases in accordance with paragraph (1) of this article, provided that where the sum of the said difference and the said deduction exceeds the product determined as aforesaid, the amount of the said deduction shall be reduced so that the sum of the resultant lesser amount and the said difference equates to the said product; and where such a reduction is required the calculation prescribed in this paragraph shall be repeated in relation to the authorities to whom neither paragraph (1) of this article nor the proviso in this paragraph applies so as to secure that the total of deductions which result and such deductions as are reduced by operation of the said proviso is equal to the total of the increases under paragraph (1) of this article.

(3) In this article the product per house shall be determined by multiplying £52 by the number of houses of the authority.

George Younger,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

New St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
15th January 1980.

We consent.

Peter Morrison,
J. A. Douglas-Hamilton,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

16th January 1980.

SCHEDULE

Article 3(2)

ASSESSMENT OF NET EXPENDITURE FOR APPORTIONMENT OF HOUSING SUPPORT GRANTS AMONG LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR 1980-81

1. The assessed net expenditure of an authority shall be the amount arrived at by addition of the amounts specified in items (1) to (4) below as reduced by the amounts specified in items (5) and (6) below, modified (where appropriate) in accordance with paragraph 2 below.

AMOUNTS INCLUDED IN ASSESSMENT OF NET EXPENDITURE

(1) Estimated loan charges due to be debited to the authority's housing revenue account for 1978-79 under paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 to the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1972(a) (other than loan charges in respect of hostels and lodging-houses), multiplied by the ratio which the Secretary of State's estimate of the Scottish aggregate of such loan charges for 1980-81 bears to the aggregate of these estimates for 1978-79.

(2) £186·286990 multiplied by the number of houses of the authority.

Basic amount for management and maintenance (MM).

(3) £186·286990 multiplied by the number of high-rise houses of the authority.

Additional MM Factor for certain urban expenditure.

(4) Where the number of houses of the authority and the number obtained by dividing the area of the authority expressed in hectares by the population of the authority are as specified in any line in Columns (1) and (2) respectively (being the same line in relation to both columns) of the table below, the amount derived by multiplying the number of pounds specified in the same line in Column (3) of that table by the number of houses of the authority.

Additional MM factor for population sparsity

(5) £308·614374 multiplied by the number of houses of the authority.

Basic

(6) The lesser of the two following amounts—

(a) £9·450465 multiplied by the population of the authority;

Income

(b) £109·981904 multiplied by the number of houses of the authority.

Amount

TABLE

Paragraph 1(4)

NUMBER OF HOUSES AND AREA IN HECTARES PER HEAD OF TOTAL POPULATION

Column (1)	Column (2)	Column (3)
No. of houses	Area in hectares per head of total population	£
Not exceeding 3,000	Exceeding 4 but not exceeding 8 ...	9·917017
Not exceeding 3,000	Exceeding 8 but not exceeding 12 ...	19·834035
Not exceeding 3,000	Exceeding 12	29·751052
Over 3,000 ...	Exceeding 8 but not exceeding 12 ...	19·834035
Over 3,000 ...	Exceeding 12	29·751052

2.—(1) For the purposes of this paragraph, the amount arrived at by the subtraction of the sum of the amounts specified in items (5) and (6)(a) of paragraph 1 above from the sum of the amounts specified in items (1) to (4) of that paragraph shall be referred to as the "basic amount": and the amount arrived at by the subtraction of the sum of the amounts specified in items (5) and (6)(b) of paragraph 1 above from the sum of the amounts specified in items (1) to (4) of that paragraph shall be referred to as the "alternative amount".

(a) 1972 c. 46; paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 was amended by the Housing Rents and Subsidies (Scotland) Act 1975 (c. 28), Schedule 4, and the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1978 (c. 14), section 11.

(2) From the basic amount of each of those authorities in respect of which the said item (6)(a) is less than the said item (6)(b) there shall be made such a deduction, proportionate in each case to each such amount, as will secure that the total of such deductions is equal to the aggregate of the differences between the alternative amounts and the basic amounts of those authorities in respect of which the said item (6)(b) is less than the said item (6)(a).

3. For the purpose of this order—

- (a) the number of houses of an authority shall be the number of houses to which the housing revenue account of that authority at 30th September 1978 relates and the number of high-rise houses shall be construed accordingly;
 - (b) a high-rise house shall be a dwelling contained in any block of flats which is of five or more storeys with a lift;
 - (c) the population of an authority shall be the home population of that authority as estimated by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages in Scotland in relation to 30th June 1978 adjusted by the addition of the average annual change in these estimates from 30th June 1975 to 30th June 1978; and
 - (d) the area of a local authority expressed in hectares shall be that certified by the Ordnance Survey.
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order in relation to the year 1980–81—

- (i) fixes the estimated aggregate amount of the housing support grants payable under section 1 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1978 to local authorities in Scotland; and
- (ii) prescribes the method of apportionment of housing support grants among those authorities.