

# Housing Act 1957

# **1957 CHAPTER 56**

#### **PART IV**

# ABATEMENT OF OVERCROWDING

General provisions

# 88 Local authority for overcrowding in London

(1) As respects the administrative county of London other than the City of London, the metropolitan borough council shall be the local authority for the purposes of the foregoing provisions of this Part of this Act other than the provisions of section seventy-six of this Act relating to the submission of proposals for the provision of new houses required in order to abate overcrowding:

### Provided that—

- (a) the metropolitan borough council shall, instead of submitting their report under section seventy-six of this Act to the Minister, submit the report to the London County Council;
- (b) the London County Council shall take into consideration the statements in the report as to the number of new houses required in order to abate overcrowding in the borough and shall, in the event of their not agreeing with the conclusions arrived at, consult with the metropolitan borough council thereon with a view to the amendment of the statements by agreement between the two councils;
- (c) the London County Council shall transmit to the Minister the report of the metropolitan borough council or such report revised as hereinbefore provided as the case may require.
- (2) As respects the administrative county of London other than the City of London, the London County Council shall be the local authority for the purposes of the provisions of section seventy-six of this Act relating to the submission of proposals for the provision of new houses required in order to abate overcrowding:

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- (a) if a metropolitan borough council propose to provide houses themselves for the purpose of abating overcrowding, they shall, when submitting to the London County Council their report under section seventy-six of this Act, or as soon as may be thereafter, submit to the county council proposals for the provision of such houses;
- (b) if the London County Council are of opinion that, having regard to the amount of suitable land available in the borough for the purpose of the provision of such houses, to the financial and other resources of the metropolitan borough council for such provision, or to any other relevant consideration to be stated by the county council in writing at the time, the metropolitan borough council will not be in a position to provide within a reasonable time or at a reasonable cost the number of new houses proposed by them, the county council shall consult with the metropolitan borough council with a view to the revision of the proposals by agreement between the two councils;
- (c) the London County Council, when submitting their proposals under section seventy-six of this Act for the county, shall transmit to the Minister copies of any proposals made by a metropolitan borough council, or such proposals as revised as hereinbefore provided, as the case may be.
- (3) If any difference arises between the London County Council and a metropolitan borough council as to the number of houses to be stated in the report as required in order to abate overcrowding within the borough, or as to the provision of such houses by the metropolitan borough council, the difference shall be referred to the Minister, whose decision shall be final.