



Police Act 1997

1997 CHAPTER 50

PART II

THE NATIONAL CRIME SQUAD

Financial provisions

61 NCS service fund

- (1) The NCS Service Authority shall keep a fund to be known as the NCS service fund.
- (2) Subject to any regulations under the Police Pensions Act 1976 and to section 66 below, all receipts of the Authority shall be paid into the NCS service fund and all expenditure of the Authority shall be paid out of that fund.
- (3) Accounts shall be kept by the Authority of payments made into or out of the NCS service fund.

62 Power to issue levies

- (1) The NCS Service Authority shall, in respect of every financial year beginning after the establishment of that Authority, issue levies to—
 - (a) police authorities for areas in England and Wales (other than the metropolitan police district), and
 - (b) the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall, by order, make provision in relation to the calculation, setting, collection, administration and payment of levies under this section.
- (3) An order under this section may include provision—
 - (a) as to apportionment of levies issued under this section;
 - (b) conferring a right to interest on anything unpaid.
- (4) An order under this section may also include provision—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) that the Common Council of the City of London making calculations in accordance with section 32 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (originally or by way of substitute) may anticipate a levy;
 - (b) that a police authority established under section 3 of the Police Act 1996, or the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, making calculations in accordance with section 43 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (originally or by way of substitute) may anticipate a levy;
 - (c) as to the treatment as special expenses of amounts so anticipated;
 - (d) as to the treatment of any levy actually issued.
- (5) A statutory instrument containing an order under this section shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
- (6) Schedule 5 (which makes further provision in connection with levies under this section) shall have effect.

63 Initial financing of NCS Service Authority

The Secretary of State may make grants to the NCS Service Authority in respect of expenditure incurred (or to be incurred) by it at any time before the financial year in which revenue is first received by it as a result of levies issued by it under section 62.

64 Charges

- (1) The NCS Service Authority may make charges in respect of the provision of any services, or an agreement for the provision of any services, to any person by the Authority or by the National Crime Squad.
- (2) Any charges made under this section may include amounts calculated by reference to the expenditure incurred or expected to be incurred by the NCS Service Authority, or by the National Crime Squad, otherwise than directly in connection with the provision of the services concerned.

65 Acceptance of gifts and loans

- (1) The NCS Service Authority may, in connection with the discharge of any of its functions, accept gifts of money, and gifts or loans of other property, on such terms as appear to the Authority to be appropriate.
- (2) The terms on which gifts or loans are accepted under subsection (1) may include terms providing for the commercial sponsorship of any activity of the Authority or of the National Crime Squad.

66 Pensions and gratuities

- (1) The NCS Service Authority may—
 - (a) pay, or make payments in respect of, pensions or gratuities to or in respect of any persons who are, or have been, its officers or employees;
 - (b) provide and maintain schemes (whether contributory or not) for the payment of pensions or gratuities to or in respect of any such persons.
- (2) The NCS Service Authority may—

- (a) pay, or make payments in respect of, such pensions or gratuities as it may determine, with the consent of the Secretary of State, to or in respect of any persons who are or have been the Director General of the National Crime Squad or police members of the Squad;
 - (b) provide and maintain such schemes (whether contributory or not) as it may determine, with the consent of the Secretary of State, for the payment of pensions or gratuities to or in respect of any such persons.
- (3) Before exercising its powers under subsection (2), the Authority shall have regard to any provision made under the Police Pensions Act 1976 or section 25(2)(k) of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970.
- (4) References in this section to pensions and gratuities include references to pensions or gratuities by way of compensation to or in respect of any of the persons mentioned in subsection (1) or (2) who suffer loss of office or employment or loss or diminution of emoluments.

67 Revenue accounts and capital finance

In section 39 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, in subsection (1) (authorities to which provisions about revenue accounts and capital finance apply), after paragraph (j) there shall be inserted—

“(ja) the Service Authority for the National Crime Squad;”.

68 Financial administration

In section 111 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, in subsection (2) (definition of “relevant authority” for the purposes of provisions regulating financial administration), after paragraph (e) there shall be inserted—

“(ea) the Service Authority for the National Crime Squad;”.