



Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 53

PART I

GRANTS, &C. FOR RENEWAL OF PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING

CHAPTER I

THE MAIN GRANTS

Introductory

VALID FROM 17/12/1996

1 Grants for improvements and repairs, &c.

- (1) Grants are available from local housing authorities in accordance with this Chapter towards the cost of works required for—
- (a) the improvement or repair of dwellings, houses in multiple occupation or the common parts of buildings containing one or more flats,
 - (b) the provision of dwellings or houses in multiple occupation by the conversion⁹¹. of a house or other building, and
 - (c) the provision of facilities for disabled persons in dwellings and in the common parts of buildings containing one or more flats.
- (2) A grant relating to—
- (a) the improvement or repair of a dwelling, or
 - (b) the provision of dwellings by the conversion of a house or other building,
- is referred to as a “renovation grant”.

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- (3) A grant relating to the improvement or repair of the common parts of a building is referred to as a “common parts grant”.
- (4) A grant for the provision of facilities for a disabled person—
 - (a) in a dwelling, or
 - (b) in the common parts of a building containing one or more flats,
 is referred to as a “disabled facilities grant”.
- (5) A grant for—
 - (a) the improvement or repair of a house in multiple occupation, or
 - (b) the provision of a house in multiple occupation by the conversion of a house or other building,
 is referred to as an “HMO grant”.
- (6) In the following provisions of this Chapter the expression “grant”, without more, means any of these types of grant.

2 Applications for grants.

- (1) No grant shall be paid unless an application for it is made to the local housing authority in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter and is approved by them.
- (2) An application for a grant shall be in writing and shall specify the premises to which it relates and contain—
 - (a) particulars of the works in respect of which the grant is sought (in this Chapter referred to as the “relevant works”);
 - (b) unless the local housing authority otherwise direct in any particular case, at least two estimates from different contractors of the cost of carrying out the relevant works;
 - (c) particulars of any preliminary or ancillary services and charges in respect of the cost of which the grant is also sought; and
 - (d) such other particulars as may be prescribed.
- (3) In this Chapter “preliminary or ancillary services and charges”, in relation to an application for a grant, means services and charges which—
 - (a) relate to the application and the preparation for and the carrying out of works, and
 - (b) are specified for the purposes of this subsection by order of the Secretary of State.
- (4) The Secretary of State may by regulations prescribe a form of application for a grant and an application for a grant to which any such regulations apply is not validly made unless it is in the prescribed form.

Commencement Information

- II** S. 2 wholly in force; S. 2 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 150; S. 2 in force for certain purposes at 11.9.1996 by S.I. 1996/2352, art. 2(2); s. 2 in force insofar as not already in force at 17.12.1996 by S.I. 1996/2842, art. 3

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