
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 815 (N.I. 6)

NORTHERN IRELAND

The Recreation (Northern Ireland) Order 1975

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made 14th May 1975

Coming into Operation 28th May 1975

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 14th day of May 1975

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas a draft of this Order has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974 (a) and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Title and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Recreation (Northern Ireland) Order 1975 and shall come into operation on the fourteenth day after the day on which it is made.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 (b) shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In this Order the expression “the principal Order” means the Recreation and Youth Service (Northern Ireland) Order 1973 (c).

Acquisition of land otherwise than by agreement

3. A district council may acquire land otherwise than by agreement for the purposes of Article 9 of the principal Order (provision of facilities for

(a) 1974 c. 28.

(b) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.).

(c) S.I. 1973/961 (N.I. 12).

recreational, social, physical and cultural activities) and for the purposes of section 36 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898 (a) (powers of district councils as to recreation grounds and public walks) and accordingly at the end of the said Article 9 there shall be added the following paragraph—

“(5) A district council may acquire land otherwise than by agreement for the purposes of this Article.”;

and at the end of the said section 36 there shall be added the following subsection—

“(6) A district council may acquire land otherwise than by agreement for the purposes of this section.”.

Grants to voluntary bodies

4. In Article 10 (2) of the principal Order (grants towards expenses of voluntary organisations for certain purposes) at the end of sub-paragraph (b) and after the words “youth service” where they occur for the first and second time in sub-paragraph (c) there shall be inserted the words “or for social, physical, or cultural activities”.

Appointment of vice-chairman of Sports Council

5.—(1) There shall be a vice-chairman of the Sports Council for Northern Ireland and accordingly at the end of paragraph 2 (3) of Schedule 1 to the principal Order there shall be added the words “and shall appoint another member to be vice-chairman who in the absence of the chairman shall, in the case of an equality of votes, have a casting vote”.

(2) The Sports Council for Northern Ireland may, if the Department of Education so approves, pay to the vice-chairman a salary of such amount as the Department may approve and accordingly in paragraph 5 of the said Schedule 1 after the word “chairman” there shall be inserted the words “and vice-chairman”.

N. E. Leigh

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order authorises district councils in Northern Ireland to acquire land to enable them to provide facilities for recreational, social, physical and cultural activities. It also enables the Department of Education for Northern Ireland to make grants towards the expenses of voluntary organisations providing facilities for social, physical and cultural activities and makes provision for the appointment of a vice-chairman of the Sports Council for Northern Ireland.