



# Local Government Act 1966

## 1966 CHAPTER 42

**E+W**

An Act to make further provision, in relation to England and Wales, with respect to the payment of grants to local authorities, rating and valuation, the classification and lighting of highways and the powers of local authorities to place staff and facilities at the disposal of Ministers concerned with highways and to make payments offsetting the effect of the selective employment tax; to repeal or amend certain enactments relating to local licences and registrations; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid. [13th December 1966]

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1 Words of enactment omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\), s. 3](#)
- C2 Act: transfer of certain functions (1.7.1999) by [S.I. 1999/672, art. 2 Sch. 1](#)

**Commencement Information**

- I1 Act partly in force at Royal Assent; Act wholly in force at 01.04.1967.

**PART I E+W**

GRANTS

1—5. ....<sup>F1</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

- F1 Ss. 1–5 repealed by [Local Government Act 1974 \(c. 7\), ss. 1\(8\), 43\(2\), Sch. 1 Pt. I, Sch. 8](#)

6 .....<sup>F2</sup> **E+W**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F2** S. 6 repealed by [General Rate Act 1967 \(c. 9\)](#), [Sch. 14](#)

*Specific grants*

7 ..... <sup>F3</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F3** S. 7 repealed by [Town and Country Planning Act 1971 \(c. 78\)](#), [Sch. 25](#)

8 ..... <sup>F4</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F4** S. 8 repealed (subject to a saving in [S.I. 1978/1583](#), [art. 4](#) in relation to grants where at least one instalment was paid before 1.4.1979) by [Local Government Act 1974 \(c. 7\)](#), ss. [8\(5\)](#), [43\(2\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. III para. 10](#), [Sch. 8](#)

9 ..... <sup>F5</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F5** S. 9 repealed and superseded by [Derelict Land Act 1982 \(c. 42, SIF 46:4\)](#), (E.) ss. [1\(2\)](#), (W.) [2\(3\)](#), (E.W.) [2\(3\)](#), [Sch.](#)

10 ..... <sup>F6</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F6** S. 10 repealed by [Local Government Act 1974 \(c. 7\)](#), ss. [8\(5\)](#), [43\(2\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. III para. 10](#), [Sch. 8](#)

[<sup>F7</sup>11 **Grants for certain expenditure due to ethnic minority population.** **E+W**

(1) Subject to the provisions of this section the Secretary of State may pay, to local authorities who in his opinion are required to make special provision in the exercise of any of their functions in consequence of the presence within their areas of persons belonging to ethnic minorities whose language or customs differ from those of the rest of the community, grants of such amounts as he may with the consent of the Treasury determine on account of expenditure of such description (being expenditure in respect of the employment of staff) as he may so determine.

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(2) This section shall apply to [<sup>F8</sup>a police authority established under section 3 of the <sup>M1</sup>Police Act 1964 and] a joint authority established by Part IV of the Local Government Act 1985 as it applies to a local authority.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F7** S. 11 substituted (20.9.1993, with effect as mentioned in s. 1(2) of the substituting Act) by 1993 c. 27, ss. 1(1)(2), 3(3).

**F8** Words in s. 11(2) inserted (1.4.1995) by 1994 c. 29, s. 43, Sch. 4 Pt. I para. 3; S.I. 1994/3262, art. 4(1), Sch. (with transitional provisions in arts. 4(2)-(8), 5)

**Marginal Citations**

**M1** 1964 c. 48.

12, 13. .... <sup>F9</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F9** Ss. 12, 13 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1975 (c. 10), Sch. Pt. VIII

14 ..... <sup>F10</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F10** S. 14 repealed by Education Act 1980 (c. 20, SIF 41:1), s. 38(6), Sch. 7

15 ..... <sup>F11</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F11** S. 15 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1989 (c. 43), s. 1(1), Sch. 1 Pt. IV

**PART II** **E+W**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F12** Ss. 16–26 repealed by General Rate Act 1967 (c. 9), Sch. 14

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**PART III** **E+W**

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**Textual Amendments**  
**F13** Pt. III (ss. 27–34) repealed by [Highways Act 1980 \(c. 66, SIF 59\)](#), s. 343(3), **Sch. 25**

**PART IV** **E+W**

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

**35** **Amendment of certain enactments relating to licences.** **E+W**

- (1) ..... <sup>F14</sup>
- (2) The enactments mentioned in the first column of Part II of Schedule 3 to this Act (which specify fees or maximum fees for licences, certificates or permits to which those enactments relate or for registration under those enactments) may be amended, by an order made by the Minister specified in relation to the enactment in question in the second column of the said Part II, so as to vary any sum specified by that enactment or so as to provide that any sum payable under that enactment shall cease to be so payable; and an order under this subsection may be limited to such cases as may be specified by the order and may make different provision for different cases specified by the order.
- (3) ..... <sup>F15</sup>

**Subordinate Legislation Made**

**P1** [S. 35](#): for previous exercises of this power see Index to Government Orders.

**P2** [S. 35\(2\)](#): s. 35(2) (with s. 40(2) and Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 23) power exercised by [S.I.1991/2175](#).

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**Textual Amendments**

**F14** [S. 35\(1\)](#) repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1974 \(c. 22\)](#), **Sch. Pt. XI**

**F15** [S. 35\(3\)\(4\)](#) repealed by [Post Office Act 1969 \(c. 48\)](#), s. 141, **Sch. 11 Pt. II**

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C3** [S. 35](#): certain functions of Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food under this enactment transferred by [S.I. 1978/272](#), art. 2, **Sch. 1**

**36** ..... <sup>F16</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**  
**F16** [S. 36](#) repealed by [Local Government Act 1988 \(c. 9, SIF 81:1\)](#), s. 41, **Sch 7 Pt. IV**

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**37** ..... <sup>F17</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F17** S. 37 repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1978 \(c. 45\), s. 1\(1\), Sch. 1 Pt. XII](#)

**38** ..... <sup>F18</sup> **E+W**

**Textual Amendments**

**F18** S. 38 repealed by [General Rate Act 1967 \(c. 9\), Sch. 14](#)

**39** **Application of Act to Isles of Scilly.** **E+W**

The provisions of this Act shall have effect in relation to the Isles of Scilly subject to such modifications as the Minister may by order direct, . . . <sup>F19</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F19** Words repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1978 \(c. 45\), s. 1\(1\), Sch. 1 Pt. XII](#)

**40** **Orders, regulations and rules.** **E+W**

- (1) Any power conferred on a Minister by this Act to make an order, . . . <sup>F20</sup> shall be exercisable by statutory instrument.
- (2) An order under any provision of this Act, . . . <sup>F20</sup>, may be revoked or varied by a subsequent order under that provision.
- (3) Any statutory instrument containing . . . <sup>F20</sup> an order under section . . . <sup>F21</sup>, . . . <sup>F20</sup>, 35 . . . <sup>F22</sup> of this Act shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

**Subordinate Legislation Made**

**P3** S. 40: for previous exercises of this power see Index to Government Orders.

**P4** S. 40(2): s. 35(2) (with s. 40(2) and Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 23) power exercised by [S.I.1991/2175](#).

**Textual Amendments**

**F20** Words repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1989 \(c. 43\), s. 1\(1\), Sch. 1 Pt. IV](#)

**F21** Figures repealed by [General Rate Act 1967 \(c. 9\), Sch. 14](#)

**F22** Words repealed by [Local Government Act 1988 \(c. 9, SIF 81:1\), s. 41, Sch. 7 Pt. IV](#)

**41** **Interpretation.** **E+W**

- (1) In this Act, except where the contrary intention appears, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively, that is to say—

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“the Common Council” means the Common Council of the City of London;

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“local authority” means the council of a county, . . . F24 or county district, . . . F25  
the council of a London borough [F26 or county borough], the Common Council  
or the Council of the Isles of Scilly;

“the Minister” means the Minister of Housing and Local Government;

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(4) References in this Act to any enactment are references to that enactment as amended by or under any subsequent enactment.

**Textual Amendments**

**F23** Definition repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1989 (c. 43), s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV**

**F24** Words repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1978 (c. 45), s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XII**

**F25** Words repealed by Local Government Act 1985 (c. 51, SIF 81:1), ss. 1, 102, **Sch. 17**

**F26** Words in definition of local authority in s. 41(1) inserted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(6), **Sch. 16 para. 27** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), Sch. 17 paras. 22(1), 23(2)); S.I. 1996/396, **art. 4**

**F27** Definition repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1989 (c. 43), s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV**

**F28** S. 41(2)(3) repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1989 (c. 43), s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV**

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C4** Functions of Minister of Housing and Local Government now exercisable by Secretary of State: **S.I. 1970/1681**

**42 Expenses. E+W**

There shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament—

- (a) any sums required for the payment of grants under this Act or of other expenses of a Minister under this Act; and
- (b) any increase attributable to the provisions of this Act in the sums payable out of such moneys under any other Act.

**43 †Consequential amendments and repeals. E+W**

(1) The enactments mentioned in Schedule 5 to this Act shall have effect subject to the amendments there specified, being amendments consequential on provisions of this Act.

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**Textual Amendments**

**F29** S. 43(2) repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1974 (c. 22), **Sch. Pt. XI**

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C5** Unreliable margin note

**44 Short title and extent. E+W**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Local Government Act 1966.
- (2) This Act shall not extend to Scotland or Northern Ireland.

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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1 **E+W**

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#### Textual Amendments

**F30** Sch. 1 repealed by Local Government Act 1974 (c. 7), ss. 1(8), 43(2), Sch. 1 Pt. I, **Sch. 8**

### SCHEDULE 2 **E+W**

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#### Textual Amendments

**F31** Sch. 2 repealed by General Rate Act 1967 (c. 9), **Sch. 14**

### SCHEDULE 3 **E+W**

Section 35.

LICENCES ETC.

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C6** Sch. 3: certain functions of Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food under this enactment transferred by S.I.1978/272, art. 2, **Sch. 1**

### PART I **E+W**

ENACTMENTS CEASING TO HAVE EFFECT . . . **F32**

#### Textual Amendments

**F32** Sch. 3 Pt. I repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1974 (c. 22), **Sch. Pt. XI**



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## PART II **E+W**

### VARIATION OF FEES FOR LICENCES, REGISTRATION ETC.

	<b>Enactments specifying fees</b>	<b>Relevant Minister</b>
1.	Sections 2, 7 and 13 of the M2 Game Licences Act 1860.	
2.	. . . F33	
3.	. . . F34	The Treasury.
4.	Section 5 of the M3 Customs and Inland Revenue Act 1883.	
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8.	Section 5 of the M4 Pedlars Act 1871.	
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10.	. . . F38	
11.	. . . F39	
12.	. . . F40	The Secretary of State.
13.	Section 5(1) of the M5 Official Secrets Act 1920.	
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16.	. . . F39	The Secretary of State.

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23.	Paragraph 11 of Schedule 2, paragraph 12 of Schedule 3, ... F46 ... F47 to the M6 Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Act 1963.
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#### Textual Amendments

- F33** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 2 repealed by [Late Night Refreshment Houses Act 1969 \(c. 53\)](#), **Sch.**
- F34** Sch. 3 Pt. II paras. 3, 5 repealed by [Consumer Credit Act 1974 \(c. 39\)](#), s. 192(4), **Sch. 5**
- F35** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 6 repealed by [Theatres Act 1968 \(c. 54\)](#), **Sch. 3**

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- F36** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 7 repealed by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 194, **Sch. 34 Pt. VI**
- F37** Sch. 3 Pt. II paras. 9, 17, 18 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. VII**.
- F38** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 10 repealed by Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (c. 30, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 47, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**
- F39** Sch. 3 Pt. II paras. 11, 14, 16 repealed by Local Government Act 1974 (c. 7), **Sch. 8**
- F40** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 12 repealed by Cinemas Act 1985 (c. 13, SIF 45A), ss. 24(2), 25, **Sch. 3**
- F41** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 15 repealed by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 194, **Sch. 34 Pt. VI**
- F42** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 19 repealed by Firearms Act 1968 (c. 27), **Sch. 7**
- F43** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 20 repealed (1.9.1992) by Charities Act 1992 (c. 41), s. 78(2), **Sch. 7**; S.I. 1992/1900, art. 2, **Sch. 1** and Appendix thereto.
- F44** Sch. 3 Pt. II paras. 21, 24–26, 28 repealed by Local Government Act 1974 (c. 7), **Sch. 8**
- F45** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 22 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. VIII**.
- F46** Words repealed by virtue of Lotteries Act 1975 (c. 58, SIF 12:1), s. 20(3), s. 20, **Sch. 4 para. 4** and Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976 (c. 32, SIF 12:1), s. 25, **Sch. 5**
- F47** Words repealed by Lotteries Act 1975 (c. 58, SIF 12:1), s. 20, **Sch. 5**
- F48** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 27 repealed by Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 (c. 30, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 47, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**
- F49** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 29 repealed by Local Government Act 1988 (c. 9, SIF 81:1), s. 41, **Sch. 7 Pt. IV**
- F50** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 30 repealed by Nursing Homes Act 1975 (c. 37), s. 22, **Sch. 3**
- F51** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 31 repealed by Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c. 41), s. 30, **Sch. 10 Pt. I**
- F52** Sch. 3 Pt. II para. 32 repealed by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 194, **Sch. 34 Pt. VI**

**Marginal Citations**

- M2** 1860 c. 90.
- M3** 1883 c. 10.
- M4** 1871 c. 96.
- M5** 1920 c. 75.
- M6** 1963 c. 2.

SCHEDULE 4 **E+W**

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**Textual Amendments**

- F53** Sch. 4 repealed by General Rate Act 1967 (c. 9), **Sch. 14**

SCHEDULE 5 **E+W**

Section 43.

CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

1 . . . . . **F54**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F54** Sch. 5 para. 1 repealed by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 194, Sch. 34 Pt. XVI

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**Textual Amendments**

**F55** Sch. 5 para. 2 repealed by Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 (c. 22, SIF 100:1), ss. 78, 79, Sch. 3

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**Textual Amendments**

**F56** Sch. 5 para. 3 repealed by General Rate Act 1967 (c. 9), Sch. 14

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**Textual Amendments**

**F57** Sch. 5 para. 4 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1976 (c. 16), s. 1(1), Sch. 1 Pt. VIII

*M7 The Town and Country Planning Act 1959*

**Marginal Citations**

**M7** 1959 c. 53.

5 In section 57(1), in the definition of “grant-aided function”, for the words “the Local Government Act 1958” there shall be substituted (in relation to the year 1967-68 and subsequent years) the words “ section 1 of the Local Government Act 1966 ”.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C7** The text of Sch. 5 para. 5 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

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**Textual Amendments**

**F58** Sch. 5 para. 6 repealed by Education (No. 2) Act 1986 (c. 61, SIF 41:1), ss. 66, 67(6), Sch. 6 Pt. I

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7 In section 66(2) the reference to amounts payable to authorities by virtue of section 64 of that Act shall include reference to amounts payable to them in respect of the needs element.

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**Textual Amendments**  
F59 Sch. 5 para. 8 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1976 (c. 16), s. 1(1), Sch. 1 Pt. VIII

SCHEDULE 6 **E+W**

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**Textual Amendments**  
F60 Sch. 6 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1974 (c. 22), Sch. Pt. XI

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