

Local Government Act 1966

1966 CHAPTER 42

PART I

GRANTS

Specific grants.

7 Grants for development and redevelopment.

- (1) The Minister may, with the consent of the Treasury and after consultation with such associations of local authorities as appear to the Minister to be concerned and with any local authority with whom consultation appears to him to be desirable, make regulations providing for the payment to local authorities, for the year 1967-68 and subsequent years, of grants of such amounts, and payable over such periods and subject to such conditions, as may be determined by or under the regulations in respect of expenditure incurred by those authorities (whether before or after the passing of this Act) in or in connection with the acquisition of land approved for the purposes of the regulations, being land required for or in connection with—
 - (a) the development or redevelopment as a whole of any area (whether or not defined in a development plan as an area of comprehensive development); or
 - (b) the relocation of population or industry, or the replacement of open space, in the course or in consequence of such development or redevelopment,

or in respect of expenditure so incurred in or in connection with the clearing or preliminary development of such land.

- (2) For the purposes of regulations under this section land appropriated by a local authority (whether before or after the passing of this Act) for use for purposes described in subsection (1) of this section may be treated as acquired by that authority for those purposes at a cost of such amount, and defrayed in such manner, as may be determined by or under the regulations.
- (3) Provision may be made by regulations under this section—

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- (a) for the inclusion, in the expenditure incurred by local authorities in the acquisition of land approved for the purposes of the regulations, of any sums or part of sums paid by those authorities in connection with any restriction imposed on the development or use of the land by or under any enactment (whether by way of compensation or by way of contribution towards damage or expense incurred in consequence of the restriction);
- (b) for the calculation of grants payable under the regulations by reference to the amount of the annual costs incurred or treated as being incurred by local authorities in respect of the borrowing of money to defray the expenditure in respect of which the grants are made, or by reference to the excess of such annual costs over receipts of those authorities which are attributable to such expenditure, or over the annual value of such receipts, or by reference to such other considerations as may be prescribed by the regulations;
- (c) for the payment of capital sums in substitution for any periodical grants payable under the regulations in respect of such annual costs;

and for the purposes of this section " clearing " and " preliminary development " mean the carrying out of such works as may be prescribed by or determined under the regulations.

- (4) Any grants to be paid or approval given under or for the purposes of regulations under this section shall be paid or given—
 - (a) in the case of local authorities in England excluding Monmouthshire, by the Minister;
 - (b) in the case of local authorities in Wales or Monmouthshire, by the Secretary of State.
- (5) In this section "enactment and local authority have the meanings assigned by subsection (1) of section 221 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1962; and references in this section to the relocation of population or industry and the replacement of open space shall be construed in accordance with that subsection, but as if for references in the definitions of those expressions to an area of extensive war damage or an area of bad lay-out or obsolete development there were substituted references to any area.
- (6) Section 184 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1962 shall cease to have effect, but without prejudice to the operation of regulations made thereunder with respect to the payment of grants for any period before the commencement of this section; and sections 185 and 186 of that Act (maximum amount of grants and supplementary provisions as to grants) shall apply to this section, and regulations thereunder, as they applied to the said section 184 and regulations under that section, and as if references to the Minister in the said section 186 included references to the Secretary of State.

8 Grants for public open spaces.

(1) Subject to the provisions of this section the Minister may, with the consent of the Treasury, pay to local authorities for the year 1967-68 and subsequent years grants of such amounts and payable at such times and subject to such conditions as he may from time to time determine, either generally or in the case of any particular authority, in respect of expenditure incurred by those authorities on and after 1st April 1967 in or in connection with the acquisition for use as a public open space of land approved by the Minister for the purposes of this section.

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- (2) Grants under this section may be made either as periodical grants in respect of the costs from time to time incurred or treated as incurred by a local authority in respect of the borrowing of money to defray expenditure qualifying for such grants, or as capital grants in respect of such expenditure or in substitution for such periodical grants.
- (3) The amount of the grant which may be paid to a local authority under this section in respect of any expenditure shall not exceed one-half of the amount of that expenditure, or of the costs incurred or treated as incurred as aforesaid on account of that expenditure, as approved by the Minister for the purposes of this section.
- (4) For the purposes of this section any land appropriated by a local authority for use as a public open space may be treated as acquired by that authority for that purpose at a cost of such amount, and defrayed in such manner, as the Minister may determine.
- (5) In this section " the Minister " in relation to local authorities in Wales and Monmouthshire means the Secretary of State; and " local authority" means a local authority within the meaning of the Town and Country Planning Act 1962.

9 Grants for reclamation of derelict land.

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section the Minister may, with the consent of the Treasury, pay to local authorities for the year 1967-68 and subsequent years grants of such amounts and payable at such times and subject to such conditions as he may from time to time determine, either generally or in the case of any particular authority, in respect of expenditure incurred by those authorities in or in connection with the acquisition at any time of land approved by the Minister for the purposes of this section, being—
 - (a) derelict, neglected or unsightly land requiring reclamation or improvement; or
 - (b) land required for purposes connected with the reclamation or improvement of such land as aforesaid,

or in or in connection with the carrying out on or after 1st April 1967 of works approved as aforesaid for the reclamation or improvement of any such land.

- (2) Grants under this section may be made either as periodical grants in respect of the costs from time to time incurred or treated as incurred by a local authority in respect of the borrowing of money to defray expenditure qualifying for such grants, or as capital grants in respect of such expenditure or in substitution for such periodical grants.
- (3) The amount of the grant which may be paid to a local authority under this section in respect of any land shall not exceed one-half of the expenditure incurred in acquiring the land and in carrying out any works for its reclamation or improvement, as approved by the Minister for the purposes of this section, reduced, unless the Minister otherwise determines, by the value of the land after carrying out those works, or one-half of the costs incurred or treated as incurred as aforesaid on account of that expenditure as so reduced.
- (4) In this section " the Minister " in relation to local authorities in Wales and Monmouthshire means the Secretary of State; and " local authority" means a local authority within the meaning of the Town and Country Planning Act 1962.

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10 Grants to port and airport health authorities.

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section the Minister of Health may pay to port health authorities grants of such amounts, and payable at such times and subject to such conditions, as he may with the consent of the Treasury determine in respect of expenditure on revenue account incurred by those authorities on and after 1st April 1967—
 - (a) in the payment of salaries to their medical officer of health and public health inspectors;
 - (b) in the exercise of functions conferred or imposed on them by or under section 143 of the Public Health Act 1936 or the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949;
 - (c) in the exercise in relation to imported food of functions conferred or imposed on them by or under the Food and Drugs Act 1955.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this section the Minister of Health may pay to the councils of county districts grants of such amounts, and payable at such times and subject to such conditions, as he may with the consent of the Treasury determine in respect of expenditure on revenue account incurred by those councils on or after 1st April 1967 in the exercise of functions conferred on them by or under section 143 of the Public Health Act 1936 in relation to the prevention of danger to public health from aircraft arriving at or leaving any place.
- (3) The amount of the grant payable under this section in respect of any expenditure shall not exceed one half of that expenditure; and no grant shall be paid under subsection (2) of this section in respect of expenditure incurred in the exercise of functions in relation to aircraft arriving at or leaving an airport vested in or under the control of the Board of Trade or an aerodrome owned or managed by the British Airports Authority.
- (4) No payment shall be made by the councils of counties and county boroughs under Schedule 1 to the Public Health Act 1936 on account of salaries of medical officers of health or public health inspectors accruing on or after 1st April 1967.

11 Grants for certain expenditure due to immigrant population.

- (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 substantial numbers of immigrants from the Commonwealth whose language or customs differ from those of the community, grants of such amounts as he may with the consent of the Treasury determine on account of expenditure of such descriptions (being expenditure in respect of the employment of staff) as he may so determine.
- (2) No grant shall be paid under this section in respect of expenditure incurred before 1st April 1967.