



Housing Act 1996

1996 CHAPTER 52

PART I

[^{F1}SOCIAL RENTED SECTOR [^{F1}REGULATED BY THE WELSH MINISTERS]]

CHAPTER III

GRANTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS

[^{F1}Grants to bodies other than registered social landlords

Textual Amendments

F1 Ss. 27A, 27B and cross-heading inserted (18.11.2004 for specified purposes, 17.2.2005 for E. in so far as not already in force) by [Housing Act 2004 \(c. 34\)](#), ss. 220, 270(2)(b); S.I. 2005/326, art. 2(a)

27A Grants to bodies other than registered social landlords

- (1) [^{F2}The Welsh Ministers] may make grants under this section to persons other than registered social landlords.
- (2) Grants under this section are grants for any of the following purposes—
 - (a) acquiring, or repairing and improving, or creating by the conversion of houses or other property, houses to be disposed of—
 - (i) under equity percentage arrangements, or
 - (ii) on shared ownership terms;
 - (b) constructing houses to be disposed of—
 - (i) under equity percentage arrangements, or
 - (ii) on shared ownership terms;
 - (c) providing loans to be secured by mortgages to assist persons to acquire houses for their own occupation;

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- (d) providing, constructing or improving houses to be kept available for letting;
 - (e) providing, constructing or improving houses for letting that are to be managed by such registered social landlords, and under arrangements containing such terms, as are approved by ^{F2}the Welsh Ministers];
 - (f) such other purposes as may be specified in an order under subsection (3).
- (3) The ^{F3}Welsh Ministers] may by order make such provision in connection with the making of grants under this section as ^{F4}they]^{F5}consider] appropriate.
- (4) An order under subsection (3) may, in particular, make provision—
- (a) defining “equity percentage arrangements” for the purposes of this section;
 - (b) specifying or describing the bodies from whom loans may be obtained by persons wishing to acquire houses for their own occupation;
 - (c) dealing with the priority of mortgages entered into by such persons;
 - (d) specifying purposes additional to those mentioned in subsection (2)(a) to (e).
- ^{F6}(5)
- (6) ^{F2}The Welsh Ministers] shall specify in relation to grants under this section—
- (a) the procedure to be followed in relation to applications for grant,
 - (b) the circumstances in which grant is or is not to be payable,
 - (c) the method for calculating, and any limitations on, the amount of grant, and
 - (d) the manner in which, and the time or times at which, grant is to be paid.
- ^{F7}(7)
- (8) In making a grant to a person under this section ^{F2}the Welsh Ministers] may provide that the grant is conditional on compliance by the person with such conditions as ^{F2}the Welsh Ministers] may specify.
- (9) The conditions that may be so specified include conditions requiring the payment to ^{F2}the Welsh Ministers] in specified circumstances of a sum determined by ^{F2}the Welsh Ministers] (with or without interest).
- (10) An order under subsection (3) shall be made by statutory instrument which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of ^{F8}the National Assembly for Wales] .
- (11) In this section—
- “disposed of on shared ownership terms” has the meaning given by section 2(6);
 - “letting” includes the grant of a licence to occupy.

Textual Amendments

- F2** Words in Pt. I substituted (1.4.2010) by [Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(c. 17\), ss. 61\(7\), 325\(1\); S.I. 2010/862, art. 2 \(with Sch.\)](#)
- F3** Words in s. 27A(3) substituted (1.4.2010) by [Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(c. 17\), ss. 62\(a\), 325\(1\); S.I. 2010/862, art. 2 \(with Sch.\)](#)
- F4** Word in s. 27A(3) substituted (1.4.2010) by [Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(c. 17\), ss. 62\(c\), 325\(1\); S.I. 2010/862, art. 2 \(with Sch.\)](#)
- F5** Word in s. 27A(3) substituted (1.4.2010) by [Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(c. 17\), ss. 62\(e\), 325\(1\); S.I. 2010/862, art. 2 \(with Sch.\)](#)

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- F6** S. 27A(5) repealed (1.4.2010) by [The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(Consequential Provisions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/866\)](#), art. 1(2), Sch. 2 para. 87, **Sch. 4** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)
- F7** S. 27A(7) repealed (1.4.2010) by [The Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(Consequential Provisions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/866\)](#), art. 1(2), Sch. 2 para. 87, **Sch. 4** (with art. 6, Sch. 3)
- F8** Words in s. 27A(10) substituted (1.4.2010) by [Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(c. 17\)](#), **ss. 63, 325(1)**; [S.I. 2010/862](#), art. 2 (with Sch.)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 1: The system of "registered social landlords" under this Part is replaced (8.9.2008 for specified purposes and 1.12.2008, 16.2.2009, 1.4.2009, 7.9.2009 and 1.4.2010 for further purposes) by [Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(c. 17\)](#), Pt. 2. This Part continues to apply in relation to Wales with certain provisions applied in relation to England and certain provisions preserved although they apply to England only, see s. 60 of the affecting Act; [S.I. 2008/2358](#), art. 3; [S.I. 2008/3068](#), art. 3 (with arts. 6-13); [S.I. 2009/363](#), art. 2; [S.I. 2009/803](#), art. 7; [S.I. 2009/2096](#), art. 2(1); [S.I. 2010/862](#), art. 2 (with Sch.)
- C2** S. 27A modified (1.12.2008) by [The Transfer of Housing Corporation Functions \(Modifications and Transitional Provisions\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/2839\)](#), arts. 1(1), 3, **Sch. para. 5** (with art. 6)
- C3** S. 27A: transfer of functions (1.12.2008) by [The Transfer of Housing Corporation Functions \(Modifications and Transitional Provisions\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/2839\)](#), arts. 1(1), 2

27B Transfer of property funded by grants under section 27A

(1) Where—

- (a) any grant is paid or payable to any person under section 27A, and
- (b) at any time property to which the grant relates becomes vested in, or is leased for a term of years to, or reverts to, another person who is not a registered social landlord,

this Part shall have effect, in relation to times falling after that time, as if the grant, or such proportion of it as is determined or specified under subsection (4), had been paid or (as the case may be) were payable to that other person under section 27A.

(2) Where—

- (a) any amount is paid or payable to any person by way of grant under section 27A, and
- (b) at any time property to which the grant relates becomes vested in, or is leased for a term of years to, or reverts to, a registered social landlord,

this Part shall have effect, in relation to times falling after that time, as if the grant, or such proportion of it as is determined or specified under subsection (4), had been paid or (as the case may be) were payable to that other person under section 18.

(3) In such a case, the relevant section 18 conditions accordingly apply to that grant or proportion of it, in relation to times falling after that time, in place of those specified under section 27A(8).

“The relevant section 18 conditions” means such conditions specified under section 18(3) as would have applied at the time of the making of the grant if it had been made under section 18 to a registered social landlord.

(4) The proportion mentioned in subsection (1) or (2) is that which, in the circumstances of the particular case—

- (a) ^[F2]the Welsh Ministers], acting in accordance with such principles as it may from time to time determine, may specify as being appropriate, or

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(b) [^{F2}the Welsh Ministers] may determine to be appropriate.]

Textual Amendments

F2 Words in Pt. I substituted (1.4.2010) by [Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 \(c. 17\), ss. 61\(7\), 325\(1\); S.I. 2010/862, art. 2](#) (with [Sch.](#))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C4 S. 27B modified (1.12.2008) by [The Transfer of Housing Corporation Functions \(Modifications and Transitional Provisions\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/2839\)](#), arts. 1(1), 3, **Sch. para. 5** (with art. 6)

C5 S. 27B: transfer of functions (1.12.2008) by [The Transfer of Housing Corporation Functions \(Modifications and Transitional Provisions\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/2839\)](#), arts. 1(1), **2**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) savings for amendments by 2018 anaw 1, s. 6, Sch. 6 by [S.I. 2019/110 reg. 5](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act savings and transitional provisions for amendments by S.I. 2022/1166 by [S.I. 2022/1172 Regulations](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 124(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(2\)](#)
- s. 124(6) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 20\(6\)](#)
- s. 124A124B inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 21](#)
- s. 125A(3A)(3B) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 130A inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 7](#)
- s. 133(1A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(3A) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 13\(2\)](#)
- s. 143J(7)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 25\(11\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after 2016 c. 22, s. 120 and Sch. 8 para. 13(3) come into force)
- s. 143GA143GB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 8 para. 10](#)
- s. 143MA(3A)-(3D) inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 27\(3\)](#)
- s. 143MB inserted by [2016 c. 22 Sch. 7 para. 28](#)