WELSH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 3239

The Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (Wales) Regulations 2003

Name, commencement, application and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations are called the Local Authorities (Capital Finance and Accounting) (Wales) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force for the purposes of regulations 1 and 2 on 31st December 2003 and for all other purposes on 1st April 2004.
 - (2) These Regulations apply only in relation to local authorities in Wales.
- (3) In these Regulations any reference to a Part, section or Schedule is a reference to a Part or section of, or Schedule to, the Local Government Act 2003.
 - (4) In these Regulations—
 - "the 1997 Regulations" means the Local Authorities (Capital Finance) Regulations 1997(1)
 - "dwelling" means any building or part of a building which is occupied as a dwelling, or is a hostel providing accommodation for persons who, for the purposes of Part 7 of the Housing Act 1996 (Homelessness)(2) are homeless, or persons who have a special need for accommodation arising from physical or mental disability, age, infirmity or other special social disability or disadvantage;
 - "housing land" means any land, house or other building in relation to which the local authority is, or has been, subject to the duty under section 74 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (Duty to keep Housing Revenue Account)(3);
 - "local authority" has the meaning given to it in section 23 of the Local Government Act 2003 in so far as it relates to Wales unless otherwise stated in these Regulations; and
 - "qualifying disposal" means a disposal of an interest in housing land which is a qualifying disposal for the purposes of section 135 or 136 of the Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development Act 1993 (Disposals of dwelling-houses by local authorities)(4).

⁽¹⁾ Part 4 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42) are repealed on 1st April 2004 by virtue of the operation of the Local Government Act 2003 and the LocaAuthorities (Capital Finance) Regulations 1997 (S.I. 1997/319) made under those provisions will accordingly be revoked on that date.

^{(2) 1996} c. 52.

^{(3) 1989} c. 42.

^{(4) 1993} c. 28; section 135 was amended by section 123 of and Schedule 13 to the Housing Act 1996 (c. 52) and by S.I. 1996/2325 and 1997/74; there are amendments to section 136 which are not relevant to these Regulations.