1956 No. 1710

The Housing (Payments for Well-Maintained Houses) Order, 1956

Made - - - - 2*nd August*, 1956
Coming into Operation 1*st November*, 1956

The Minister of Housing and Local Government, in exercise of his powers under section 3 of the Slum Clearance (Compensation) Act, 1956(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Housing (Payments for Well-Maintained Houses) Order, 1956, and shall come into operation on the day following the day on which the order has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), applies to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. For the purposes of any payment made under section 42 of the Housing Act, 1936(c), whether before or after the coming into operation of this order, but not earlier than the thirteenth day of December, 1955, the multipliers specified with respect to rateable value in paragraph (*b*) of subsection (2) of the said section 42 shall be varied by the substitution for references therein to one and a half times and three times the rateable value of a house of references respectively to four and a half and nine times the rateable value of a house.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Housing and Local Government this second day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

(L.S.) *Duncan Sandys*,
Minister of Housing and Local Government.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.*)

Section 42 of the Housing Act, 1936, empowers the Minister of Housing and Local Government to direct a local authority to make a payment in respect of unfit but well-maintained houses which are made the subject of a compulsory purchase order or a clearance order under Part III of that Act. The section provides that the payment is in certain cases to be an amount equal to one and a half times or three times the rateable value of a house in respect of which a direction is given. This order provides that in those cases payment is to be of an amount equal to four and a half times or nine times the rateable value.

(a) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2 c. 57. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (c) 26 Geo. 5 & 1 Edw. 8. c. 51.