1956 No. 2015

The Housing Subsidies Order, 1956

Made - - - - 18*th December*, 1956
Coming into Operation 19*th December*, 1956

The Minister of Housing and Local Government, after such consultation with local authorities and associations of local authorities as is prescribed by section 2 of the Housing Subsidies Act, 1956(a), (hereinafter referred to as " the Act ") in exercise of his powers under the said section 2, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, by this order, made in the terms of a draft approved by a resolution of the Commons House of Parliament, hereby directs as follows :—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Housing Subsidies Order, 1956, and shall come into operation on the day following the day on which the order is made.

(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. This order applies to any new dwelling which is—

(*a*) provided by a local authority in the exercise of their powers to provide housing accommodation, being a dwelling the tender or estimate for the erection of which, not having been submitted to the Minister for approval before the second day of November, 1956, was accepted by a formal resolution of the authority passed on or after that day ; or

(*b*) provided by a development corporation or housing association in pursuance of authorised arrangements with a local authority made and approved by the Minister on or after that day, not being arrangements the substantial effect of which the Minister is satisfied had been agreed between the parties before that day.

3.—(1) Save as provided by the succeeding provisions of this Article, no annual exchequer subsidy shall be payable under subsection (2) of section 3 of the Act in respect of any dwelling to which this order applies.

(2) An annual exchequer subsidy shall continue to be payable under the said subseotion (2) in respect of any approved dwelling to which this order applies, being a dwelling which contains not more than one bedroom.

(3) An annual exchequer subsidy of one shilling shall be payable under the said subsection (2) in respect of any approved dwelling to which this order applies—

(*a*) if the Minister thinks fit so to determine in the case of a dwelling (other than a flat in a block of flats of four or more storeys) provided by, or in pursuance of authorised arrangements with, the council of a county district by way of housing accommodation required for the agricultural population of that district ; or

(*b*) if the Minister is satisfied that the cost of providing the dwelling has been substantially enhanced by expenses attributable to measures taken—

(i) for securing protection against the consequences of a subsidence of the site ; or

(ii) in the construction of the dwelling in order to preserve the character of the surroundings ; or

(*c*) if the dwelling is provided by a local authority as to whom the Minister is of opinion that more housing accommodation is urgently required

(a) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 33. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

to be provided by that authority and could not be provided without imposing an unreasonably heavy rate burden or necessitating the charging of unreasonably high rents for that and other housing accommodation provided by that authority.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Housing and Local Government this eighteenth day of December, 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.)

This Order abolishes (with exceptions) the exchequer subsidy payable under section 3 (2) of the Housing Subsidies Act, 1956, for houses and flats for general needs provided by, or by arrangement with, local authorities in pursuance of action taken on or after 2nd November, 1956.

The existing exchequer subsidies under section 3 (2) of the Act will remain payable in respect of approved one-bedroomed houses and flats (Article 3 (2) of the Order).

An exchequer subsidy of a nominal amount of one shilling will be payable in respect of approved dwellings which satisfy any of the conditions mentioned in Article 3 (3) of the Order, being conditions which permit of the payment of certain additional subsidies by virtue of sections 4 and 5 of the Act.

HOUSING, SCOTLAND

1956 No. 2124 (S. 105)

The Housing (Rate of Interest on Repaid Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956

Made - - - -	31*st December,* 1956
Laid before Parliament	14*th January,* 1957
Coming into Operation	28*th January,* 1957

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by subsection (2) of section 114, subsection (1) of section 115, section 122 and section 173 of the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1950(**a**) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, and with the consent of the Treasury, I hereby make the following regulations:—

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Housing (Rate of Interest on Repaid Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956, and shall come into operation on the 28th day of January, 1957.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), shall apply to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The rate of interest to be taken for the purpose of calculating compound interest on any sum in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (*a*) or (*b*)

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 34. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.