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(2) LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL

The London County Council Form of Precept Rules, 1948

1948 No. 654

Made - - - -	*30th March,* 1948
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Whereas by subsection (2) of section 9 of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925(a), (which relates to precepts by county councils) as extended, with modifications, to London by section 120 of the Local Government Act, 1948(b), provision is made with respect to precepts to be issued by the London County Council in respect of any period beginning on or after the first day of April, 1948:

Now therefore the Minister of Health, after consultation with such local authorities and associations of local authorities as appeared to him to be desirable, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 58 of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Rules:—

1.—(1) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply to the interpretation of these Rules as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) In these Rules—

" equivalent in terms of a rate in the pound " means in relation to any sum and any area the poundage of the rate which would be levied on that area under precept of the County Council if that sum formed the subject of a separate precept;

" County Council " means the London County Council.

(3) These Rules may be cited as the London County Council Form of Precept Rules, 1948, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of April, 1948.

2. Every precept issued by the County Council in respect of any period beginning on or after the first day of April, 1948, shall be in the form set out in the Schedule hereto or in a form substantially to the like effect.

(a) 15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. 90. (b) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 26. (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

3. Every precept issued by the County Council in accordance with the foregoing Rules shall show:—

(i) the rate in the pound which the County Council require the rating authority to levy as part of the general rate;

(ii) the rate in the pound which the County Council require the rating authority to levy as an additional item of the general rate in respect of each part of the rating area on which any expenses are chargeable separately, indicating the part so charged, and the purpose of the charge.

4.—(1) There shall be included in every such precept a statement in the form set out in the Schedule hereto, or in a form substantially to the like effect, showing, in the manner for which the form provides,

(*a*) the equivalent in terms of a rate in the pound of the gross estimated expenditure less any income specifically applicable thereto, in respect of each service specified in the form and in respect of such other of their principal services, if any, as the County Council think fit;

(*b*) the equivalent in terms of a rate in the pound of any Exchequer Equalisation and Exchequer Transitional Grants receivable by the County Council under the Local Government Act, 1948;

(*c*) the equivalent in terms of a rate in the pound of the sums receivable by the County Council under Part V of the Local Government Act, 1948;

and distinguishing by an asterisk, in the manner indicated in the form, each such service towards the cost of which a grant payable to the County Council by any Government Department is specifically applicable.

(2) In calculating the amount to be shown for the purposes of any service or group of services, there shall be included any sums required for repayment of, or for interest on, moneys borrowed for that service or group of services.

5. Except as regards any precept issued in respect of any period ending on or before the 31st day of March, 1948, the London County Council Precept Order, 1930(a), is hereby revoked.

SCHEDULE

Form of County Council Precept

Administrative County of London

To the Council of the Metropolitan Borough of.....

The Council of the Administrative County of London hereby give you notice that in respect of the financial [half-year] [year] beginning on the first day of ....., 19..., they will require from you the proceeds of the rates specified below subject to such adjustment as may be necessary to give effect, in relation to the Metropolitan Borough, to provisions of any scheme made by the Minister of Health under section 10 of the Local Government Act, 1948;

AND they do accordingly hereby require you to levy the said rates as part of the general rate or as additional items of that rate, as the case may require, and to make payments on account thereof to the Treasurer of the said County as follows, being the amounts of the separate instalments due under the precept

(a) S.R. & O. 1930 (No. 119) p. 1588.

[reduced] [increased] by the appropriate proportion of the net sum estimated to be payable [to] [by] the Borough Council during the [half-year] [year] in consequence of the aforesaid scheme:

£ ..... on or before the ..... day of ..... 19...
£ ..... on or before the ..... day of ..... 19...
£ ..... on or before the ..... day of ..... 19...
£ ..... on or before the ..... day of ..... 19...
£ ..... on or before the ..... day of ..... 19...
£ ..... on or before the ..... day of ..... 19...

and to pay the balance thereof within 14 days after the date on which the total amount due under the precept shall have been ascertained in accordance with the provisions of subsections (2) and (4) of section 9 of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, as applied to London and of the Rules made thereunder.

Rates to be levied on the whole of the rating area

General County purposes at.....in the pound.

Special County purposes at.....in the pound.

Total.....in the pound.

Rates to be levied on part only of the rating area

Part of rating area chargeable	Service	Amount in the Pound
		s. d.

Given under the Seal of the London County Council this day of , nineteen hundred and .

Sealed by Order—

Clerk of the London County Council.

STATEMENT

The following statement shows, in respect of each of the under-mentioned services of the County Council the cost of which is chargeable over the whole of the rating area, the equivalent, in terms of a rate in the pound, of the gross estimated expenditure on the services *less* any estimated income from Government Grants or other sources (not being rates) specifically applicable thereto. In the case of the services marked * Government Grants specifically applicable thereto are receivable.

SERVICES	Amount in the Pound for General County Purposes		Special County Purposes	
	s.	d.	s.	d.
*Education				
*Public Health (including health services under the National Health Service Act, 1946)				
*Services for aged, infirm and handicapped persons				
*Care of deprived children				
*Fire Service				
*Housing				
Main Drainage				
*Highways, Bridges and Street Improvements ...				
Other services and expenses (including provision for general balance)				
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.....				
Total of above items...				
Deduct— the equivalent in terms of a rate in the pound of—				
(1) Any Exchequer Equalisation and Transitional Grants receivable by the County Council under Part I of the Local Government Act, 1948			—	—
(2) Amount receivable by the County Council under section 100 of the Local Government Act, 1948			—	—
(3) The proceeds of local taxation licence duties			—	—
(4) Other income or credits of the County Council, if any, not allocated to specific services (including appropriations from general balance)				
Total deductions				
NET TOTALS				

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Health this thirtieth day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

(L.S.)

Wm. S. Douglas,
Secretary,
Ministry of Health.

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