STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 1248

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order 1975

Made - - - - - - -	8*th July* 1975
Laid before the House of Commons	11*th July* 1975
Coming into Operation - - -	24*th July* 1975

The Secretary of State for the Environment, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 4 of the Local Government Act 1974(**a**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, with the consent of the Treasury and after consultation with the associations of local authorities appearing to him to be concerned and the local authority with whom consultation appeared to him to be desirable, hereby makes the following order:—

Title and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order 1975 and shall come into operation on the day following the day on which it is approved by a resolution of the Commons House of Parliament.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order—

"the Act" means the Local Government Act 1974;

"the Increase Order" means the Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order 1974(**b**); and

"the Order" means the Rate Support Grant Order 1974(**c**).

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**d**) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Further increase of rate support grants and needs element

3. The amounts fixed by article 3(1) of the Order and increased by article 3 of the Increase Order as the estimated aggregate amount of the rate support grants and the aggregate amount of the needs element for the year 1974–5, as set out in column (2) of the following table, shall be further increased pursuant to section 4 of the Act (which provides for an increase where there

(a) 1974 c. 7.
(b) S.I. 1974/2108 (1974 III, p. 8198).
(c) S.I. 1974/550 (1974 I, p. 2251).
(d) 1889 c. 63.

is an increase of costs of which no account was taken when the amounts were originally fixed), by the amounts specified in column (3) to produce the respective totals shown in column (4).

TABLE

For the year 1974–5	Amounts fixed by the Order as increased by the Increase Order	Increase under section 4 of the Act	Totals
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Estimated aggregate amount of rate support grants ...	£4,153,000,000	£231,000,000	£4,384,000,000
Aggregate amount of needs element	£2,688,000,000	£167,000,000	£2,855,000,000

Amount of resources element

4.—(1) The actual aggregate amount of the resources element for the year 1974–5 is (pursuant to subsections (4) and (5)(*a*) of section 4 of the Act) hereby specified as £1,083,000,000.

(2) The amount of the resources element payable to a local authority entitled to payment in respect of that element shall be correspondingly varied by adding to the amount which would have been payable to that authority under the Order and the Increase Order an amount equal to $\frac{x}{X}$ of the difference between the actual aggregate amount of the resources element as specified by article 4(1) above and the aggregate of the amounts calculated pursuant to Part III of Schedule 2 to the Act and article 4(2) of the Increase Order in relation to all such authorities where—

x is the amount calculated in relation to that authority pursuant to Part III of Schedule 2 to that Act and article 4(2) of the Increase Order; and

X is the aggregate of the amount calculated as for x in relation to all such authorities.

Sum to be multiplied by the population

5. The sum fixed by article 3(3) of the Order and increased by article 6 of the Increase Order as the sum to be multiplied by the population of a local authority's area for the purposes of paragraph 1(*a*) of Schedule 2 to the Act shall be further increased from £23·05 to £24·48.

Needs element—additional factors

6. The manner of determining the additional amount of needs element attributable to any additional factor prescribed by the Schedule to the Order for the purposes of paragraph 1(*b*) of Schedule 2 to the Act as respects the year 1974–5 and referred to in column (1) of the following table shall be further varied by substituting for the manner of determination set out in column (2) (being the manner of determination substituted by article 7 of the Increase Order) that specified in column (3).

Additional factor (1)	Existing manner of determining additional amount (2)	Substituted manner (3)
1. In relation to the council of a non-metropolitan county, a metropolitan district or a London borough, the Common Council of the City of London or the Council of the Isles of Scilly—		
(*a*) The number of education units in excess of 200 per 1,000 of the population of their area	Multiplying that number by £156·64	Multiplying that number by £166·38
(*b*) The acreage of their area in excess of 1·5 per head of the population of their area	Multiplying that acreage by— (*a*) £1·69 if it exceeds 1·5 but does not exceed 3 or (*b*) £4·33 if it exceeds 3	Multiplying that acreage by— (*a*) £1·80 if it exceeds 1·5 but does not exceed 3 or (*b*) £4·60 if it exceeds 3
(*c*) The number by which the population on 30th June 1972 fell short of the population on 30th June 1962 of the area which constitutes their area on 1st April 1974	Multiplying that number by £61·97	Multiplying that number by £65·82
(*d*) The number of personal social services units in their area	Multiplying that number by £832·92	Multiplying that number by £884·71
2. In relation to the county council of Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Kent or Surrey—		
The number of the population of their area	Multiplying that number by £10·00	Multiplying that number by £10·62
3. In relation to the county council of Bedfordshire, East Sussex, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Oxfordshire or West Sussex—		
The number of the population of their area	Multiplying that number by £1·44	Multiplying that number by £1·53
4. In relation to the county council of Hereford and Worcester, Salop, Staffordshire or Warwickshire—		
The number of the population of their area	Multiplying that number by £2·00	Multiplying that number by £2·12

Anthony Crosland,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

7th July 1975.

We consent.

Donald R. Coleman,
J. Dormand,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

8th July 1975.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order came into operation on 24th July 1975 and further increases the rate support grants for the financial year 1974–5.

Specifically it—

(*a*) increases from £4,153,000,000 to £4,384,000,000 the aggregate amount of the rate support grants (payable to local authorities in England and Wales under Part I of the Local Government Act 1974);

(*b*) increases the aggregate amount of the needs element of rate support grants, while varying the manner of determining additional amounts attributable to certain additional factors prescribed by the Rate Support Grant Order 1974 (which are not themselves varied); and

(*c*) specifies the actual aggregate amount of the resources element, after making an adjustment necessary to maintain the expected ratio between the resources element and the needs element.

These increases are referable to the increase in the level of costs since the grants for the year 1974–5 were first revised (The Rate Support Grant (Increase) Order 1974).

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