STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1973 No. 667 (S.52)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SCOTLAND

The Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) Order 1973

Made - - -	8*th February* 1973
Laid before the Commons House of Parliament	16*th March* 1973
Coming into Operation	28*th March* 1973

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 4 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966(**a**) and paragraph 4 of Part II of Schedule 1 to the said Act and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, since it appears to me that there has been an unforeseen increase in the level of prices, costs and remuneration affecting substantially the reckonable expenditure of local authorities for the years 1971-72 and 1972-73, with the consent of the Treasury and after consultation with such associations of local authorities as appear to me to be concerned in accordance with the provisions of section 3 of the said Act as applied by section 4 thereof, I hereby make the following order:—

Title, Commencement and Interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) Order 1973 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.

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

(3) In this order "the Act" means the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966.

Aggregate Grants

2. For the amount prescribed by the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1971(**c**) as amended by the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1972(**d**) for the purposes of rate support grants for the years 1971-72 and 1972-73 in respect of the matters indicated in column (1) of the following

(**a**) 1966 c. 51.
(**b**) 1889 c. 63.
(**c**) S.I. 1971/469 (1971 I, p. 1392).
(**d**) S.I. 1972/263 (1972 I, p. 874).

table, being the amounts set out in column (2) thereof, there shall be substituted the amounts specified in column (3) thereof—

TABLE

Column (1)	Column (2) £	Column (3 £
As the aggregate amount of rate support grants—		
For the year 1971–72	267,550,000	271,080,000
For the year 1972–73	282,640,000	311,720,000
As the amount of the needs element—		
For the year 1971–72	189,090,000	191,740,000
For the year 1972–73	199,030,000	220,850,000
As the amount of the resources element—		
For the year 1971–72	63,030,000	63,910,000
For the year 1972–73	66,350,000	73,610,000
As the amount of the domestic element—		
For the year 1971–72	15,430,000	15,430,000
For the year 1972–73	17,260,000	17,260,000

Notional rent income

3. As respects the year 1972-73 for the basis of the calculation of notional rent income prescribed in article 3(6) of the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1971 there shall be substituted the following:—

"(6) (*a*) that the notional rent income of a county or town council for 1972-73 shall be such percentage of the aggregate of the gross annual values of the relevant subjects, as shown in the valuation roll for that year, as is specified in relation to that year in column (1) of Schedule 4 to this order:

Provided that, if I am requested by any council to do so, I shall direct that, in relation to that council this sub-paragraph shall have effect as if references therein to the council's notional rent income for that year were references to such percentage of the aggregate of the gross annual values of the relevant subjects, as shown in the valuation roll for the year in question, as is specified in column (2) of the said Schedule in relation to that year, less an amount equal to the aggregate of any rent rebates granted in respect of those subjects by the council for that year under any rent rebates scheme approved by me for the purposes of this sub-paragraph and a rebate scheme under Part II of and Schedules 2 and 3 to the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1972(**a**).

(*b*) In this paragraph—

(i) references to the relevant subjects, in relation to any council for 1972-73, are references to any houses, buildings, land or dwellings let by the council and shown in the valuation roll for that year;

(ii) references to the aggregate of the gross annual values of the relevant subjects, in relation to any council, are references to that aggregate exclusive of that part of the gross annual value of any house or dwelling comprised in those subjects as may be certified by the assessor to be attributable to any garage provided otherwise than by the council;

(iii) the expression "rent rebates" means rebates to which section 151(4) and section 195 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1966(**b**)

(**a**) 1972 c. 46. (**b**) 1966 c. 49.

refer and rebates under a rebate scheme under Part II of and Schedules 2 and 3 to the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) (Scotland) Act 1972;

(iv) the expression "rent rebates scheme" includes any scheme for the granting of rent rebates (including so much of any rents scheme made under the said section 195 as relates to rent rebates); and

(v) the expression "valuation roll" does not include "supplementary valuation roll"."

Gordon Campbell,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh,
7th February 1973.

We consent.

Tim Fortescue,
Hugh Rossi,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

8th February 1973.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order increases the aggregate amounts of the rate support grants and the amounts of the needs and resources elements payable for the years 1971-72 and 1972-73 under Part I of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966 to county and town councils in Scotland. The Order also prescribes the basis of calculating notional rent income for the year 1972-73 taking into account the provisions of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1972 as respects rent rebates.

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