STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1972 No. 2034

LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Rate Support Grant Order 1972

Made - - -	27*th November* 1972
Laid before the House of Commons	30*th November* 1972
Coming into Operation	21*st December* 1972

The Secretary of State for the Environment, 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, in exercise of powers conferred by section 2 of the Local Government Act 1966(**a**) as read with paragraph 27(2) of Schedule 13 to the Local Government Act 1972(**b**) and now vested in him(**c**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

Title and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Rate Support Grant Order 1972 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) The Interpretation Act 1889(**d**) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(2) In this order—

"the Act" means the Local Government Act 1966;

"the Secretary of State" means the Secretary of State for the Environment.

Rate support grants for 1973-74

3. For the purposes of rate support grants for the year 1973-74 this order hereby fixes and prescribes—

(**a**) 1966 c. 42.
(**b**) 1972 c. 70.
(**c**) S.I. 1970/1681 (1970 III, p. 5551).
(**d**) 1889 c. 63.

(1) As the aggregate amount of the rate support grants and the amounts of the needs element, the resources element and the domestic element, the amounts set out in the following table:—

Aggregate of rate support grants:	£2,875,000,000;
comprising—	
the needs element:	£2,299,000,000;
the resources element:	£383,000,000;
the domestic element:	£193,000,000;

(2) In pursuance of paragraph 1 of Part III of Schedule 1 to the Act—

As the amount in the pound which in the opinion of the Secretary of State corresponds to the amount of the domestic element for that year—	6p.

(3) In respect of the matters which under Part I of Schedule 1 to the Act are to be or may be prescribed in relation to the under-mentioned payments comprised in the needs element—

(*a*) The basic payment under paragraph 2	
(i) As the sum to be multiplied by the population—	£24·30;
(ii) As the sum to be multiplied by the estimated number of persons under 15 years of age in the population—	£1·89;
(*b*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 3	
As the sum to be multiplied by the estimated number of persons under 5 years of age in the population—	£1·69;
(*c*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 4	
As the sum to be multiplied by the estimated number of persons over 65 years of age in the population—	£1·69;
(*d*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 5	
(i) As the number of education units per 1,000 of the population to be exceeded as a condition of payment—	200;
(ii) As the sum to be multiplied by the excess and by the population to determine the amount of the payment—	£0·152;
(*e*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 6	
(i) As the number of persons per acre in the area of the authority to be exceeded as a condition of payment—	18;
(ii) As the percentage by which the excess is to be multiplied—	½ per cent.;
(*f*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 7	
(i) As the number of road miles per 1,000 of the population in the area of the authority to be exceeded as a condition of payment— ...	2;
(ii) As the fraction of the basic payment— ...	$\frac{7}{10}$;
(iii) As the percentage of the basic payment to be multiplied by the road-mileage per 1,000 of the population in the area of the authority—	2¼ per cent.;

(*g*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 8

(i) As the sum by which the road-mileage of the area of the authority (excluding trunk roads) is to be multiplied—	£430;
(ii) As the sum by which the road-mileage of the roads in the area of the authority classified as principal roads under section 27 of the Act (hereinafter called "the prescribed sum") is to be multiplied—	£2,101;
(iii) As the number per mile of the roads so classified of which the population is to fall short— ...	4,000;
(iv) As the number per mile of the roads so classified which the population is to exceed— ...	5,500;
(v) As the sum by which the prescribed sum is to be reduced for each 100 persons in the short-fall—	£40·60;
(vi) As the sum by which the prescribed sum is to be increased for each 100 persons in the excess—	£53·00;
(vii) As the sum below which the prescribed sum shall not be reduced—	£1,289;

(*h*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 9

(i) As the period over which the decline of the population is to be estimated—	10 years;
(ii) As the percentage of the decline to be exceeded as a condition of payment—	½ per cent.;
(iii) As the number by which the excess is to be multiplied to determine the amount of the payment—	1;

(*i*) The supplementary payment under paragraph 10

As the percentage of the basic payment appearing to the Secretary of State to be appropriate in relation to authorities whose areas lie wholly or partly within the metropolitan district—	5 per cent.

Geoffrey Rippon,
Secretary of State for the Environment.

24th November 1972.

We consent to this order.

Tim Fortescue,
P. L. Hawkins,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

27th November 1972.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which came into operation on 21st December 1972, fixes and prescribes for the year 1973-74—

(*a*) the aggregate amount of the rate support grants payable under Part I of the Local Government Act 1966 to the councils of counties, county boroughs and county districts in England and Wales, the Greater London Council, the councils of London boroughs, the Common Council of the City of London and the Council of the Isles of Scilly;

(*b*) the division of this aggregate amount between the needs element (which is not payable to councils of county districts or, subject to provision to the contrary by regulations under the Act, to the Greater London Council), the resources element and the domestic element (which is not payable to county councils or the Greater London Council);

(*c*) the amount by which rating authorities are to reduce the amount in the pound of the general rate which they would otherwise levy on dwellinghouses in their areas so as to take account of the amount of the domestic element for that year; and

(*d*) matters which are to be, or may be, prescribed under Part I of Schedule 1 to the Act, which determines the amount of the needs element payable to any authority.

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