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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Local Government (Payments to Councillors) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981

Made . . . . . 2nd November 1981

Coming into operation . . . 1st January 1982

The Department of the Environment in exercise of the powers conferred by section 36 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972(**a**) and now vested in it(**b**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Local Government (Payments to Councillors) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1982.

Interpretation

2. In these regulations—

"approved duty" means any of the following duties, that is to say—

(*a*) attendance at a meeting of the council, or of any of its committees or sub-committees, or at a meeting of a joint committee or any of its sub-committees, or at a meeting of a group committee established under the provisions of the Local Government (Employment of Building Control Staff) Order (Northern Ireland) 1973(**c**) or the Local Government (Employment of Public Health Inspectors) Order (Northern Ireland) 1973(**d**);

(*b*) the doing of anything approved by the council or, as the case may be, by the joint committee, or anything of a class so approved, for the purpose of, or in connection with, the discharge of the functions of the council, or of any of its committees or sub-committees, or, as the case may be, of the joint committee or any of its sub-committees;

"attendance allowance" means a payment to a councillor in respect of the performance of any approved duty;

"committee member" means a person, not being a councillor, appointed to a committee or a sub-committee of a council or to a joint committee or a sub-committee of a joint committee under sections 18 or 19 of the Act;

"councillor" means a member of a council;

"financial loss allowance" means a payment to a councillor or committee member in respect of any loss of earnings necessarily suffered or any additional expenses (other than expenses on account of travelling or subsistence) necessarily suffered or incurred by him for the purpose of enabling him to perform any approved duty;

(**a**) 1972 c. 9 (N.I.) as amended by S.I. 1978/1041 (N.I. 11) Art. 9(*a*)
(**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504 Art. 7(1); Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 (c. 36) Sch. 5 para. 8(1) and S.I. 1976/424 (N.I. 6)
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 167
(**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 168