

LAND REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT – AN OVERVIEW

Part 3 the Crofting Community Right to Buy

Section 90: Grants towards crofting community bodies' liabilities to pay compensation

371. This section provides that Ministers may, in certain limited circumstances, pay a grant to a crofting community body to assist it in meeting the compensation it has to pay in connection with its exercise of the crofting community right to buy.
372. Subsection (2) specifies the circumstances in which payment of such a grant would be permitted and subsection (3) makes it clear that Ministers are not bound to pay grant even when all the circumstances specified arise.
373. Subsection (4) provides that payment of grant may be subject to conditions including conditions relating to repayment in the event of breach.
374. Subsection (5) provides that grant may be paid only if the crofting community body applies for it and subsection (6) provides that the form of the application and the application procedure will be specified by Ministers in regulations.
375. Subsection (7) specifies that Ministers must issue their decision on a grant application in writing and, in the case of refusal, specify the reasons for the refusal.
376. Subsection (8) provides that the decision by Ministers is final.