



Education Act 2002

2002 CHAPTER 32

PART 3

MAINTAINED SCHOOLS

CHAPTER 1

GOVERNMENT OF MAINTAINED SCHOOLS

27 Power of governing body to provide community facilities etc.

- (1) The governing body of a maintained school shall have power to provide any facilities or services whose provision furthers any charitable purpose for the benefit of—
 - (a) pupils at the school or their families, or
 - (b) people who live or work in the locality in which the school is situated.
- (2) The power under subsection (1) includes, in particular, power for a governing body to—
 - (a) incur expenditure,
 - (b) enter into arrangements or agreements with any person,
 - (c) co-operate with, or facilitate or co-ordinate the activities of, any person, and
 - (d) provide staff, goods, services and accommodation to any person.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of Chapter 3 of Part 6 of the Education Act 1996 (c. 56) (charges in connection with education), a governing body may charge for any services or facilities provided under this section.
- (4) This section has effect subject to section 28.

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 27 modified (temp. from 2.9.2002) by [The Education Act 2002 \(Transitional Provisions etc.\) \(England\) Regulations 2002 \(S.I. 2002/2113\)](#), **reg. 3(1)**; s. 27 modified (E.) (temp. from 1.10.2002) by [S.I. 2002/2316](#), **reg. 3(1)**
- C2** S. 27 applied (with modifications) (10.7.2003) by [New Schools \(General\) \(England\) Regulations 2003 \(S.I. 2003/1558\)](#), regs. 1, **31**
- C3** S. 27 applied (with modifications) (31.10.2005) by [The New Maintained Schools \(Wales\) Regulations 2005 \(S.I. 2005/2912\)](#), regs. 1(1), **30(1)** (with reg. 30(2))
- C4** S. 27 applied (with modifications) (25.5.2007) by [The School Governance \(New Schools\) \(England\) Regulations 2007 \(S.I. 2007/958\)](#), regs. 1, **30**
- C5** S. 27 applied (with modifications) (1.2.2008) by [The Education \(Pupil Referral Units\) \(Application of Enactments\) \(England\) Regulations 2007 \(S.I. 2007/2979\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. 1 para. 13**

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 27 partly in force; s. 27 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 216; s. 27 in force for E. at 2.9.2002 by [S.I. 2002/2002](#), **art. 4** (as amended by [S.I. 2002/2018](#), arts. 2-4)
- I2** S. 27 in force at 1.9.2003 for W. by [S.I. 2003/1718](#), art. 5, **Sch. Pt. II**

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2003/1667 Sch. para. 1 by [S.I. 2004/571 Sch.](#)
- specified provision(s) amendment to earlier commencing SI 2003/1667 Sch. para. 1A and 2 by [S.I. 2005/2570 art. 2](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 27(1A) inserted by [2010 c. 26 s. 4\(1\)](#)
- s. 29(2A)-(2D) inserted by [2009 c. 22 s. 260\(4\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). S. 250 omitted (1.9.2012) by virtue of 2011 c. 21, s. 29(9)(d); S.I. 2012/1087, art. 3)
- s. 29B inserted by [2008 c. 25 s. 157](#)
- s. 8585A substituted for s. 85 by [2006 c. 40 s. 74\(1\)](#)
- s. 85A amendment to earlier affecting provision 2006 c. 40 s. 74(1) by [2011 c. 21 s. 31\(2\)](#)
- s. 85A(5) words substituted by [2009 c. 22 Sch. 12 para. 34](#)
- s. 86(1) s. 86 renumbered as s. 86(1) by [2006 c. 40 s. 74\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 86(2) inserted by [2006 c. 40 s. 74\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 88(2)-(7) inserted by [2006 c. 40 s. 74\(3\)](#)
- s. 88(7) repealed by [S.I. 2010/1080 Sch. 1 para. 45Sch. 2 Pt. 1](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The insertion of s. 88(2)-(7) by 2006 c. 40, s 74(3) was repealed without ever being brought into force.)
- s. 142(9)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2010/1158 Sch. 2 para. 11\(10\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 210A inserted by [2008 c. 25 Sch. 1 para. 79](#)