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£43M TO UNITED KINGDOM UNDER REGIONAL FUND

(Fourth allocation of grants, 1981)

The European Commission has announced grants of £43.44m under the European Regional Development Fund for 171 projects in the United Kingdom. The money will be paid to the UK Government in step with national expenditure on the projects concerned. This brings Regional Fund grants in Britain to £764m since the Fund began operations in 1975. A list of the newly financed projects is attached.

The fourth round 1981 includes a second grant to the Liverpool Maritime Museum, an imaginative and successful scheme involving the redevelopment of part of the Merseyside docklands. Monthly attendance figures at the museum increased in 1981 by 45 per cent over 1980. Grants are also given to a large number of investments connected with the development of industrial estates, which lead to the creation of jobs. Also assisted in this round are airports at Newcastle, Newquay and Speke (Liverpool), which all have an important regional impact. For Newcastle airport the grants is £1.45m. The terminal buildings are to be extended to cope with an expected 60 per cent increase in passengers by 1990. The extension of the offices in Cardiff of the Automobile Association Insurance Services Ltd is also worth noting: 484 jobs will be created by the investment involved.

This allocation also includes finance for a feasibility study into construction of a barrage at the mouth of the River Tawe, Swansea.

About two-thirds of ERDF grants are towards infrastructure projects. This finance is passed on in full to the local and other public authorities concerned, thus reducing the amount they have to borrow to finance the investment in question. As far as industrial projects are concerned, the Community grants now announced represent a Fund contribution of up to half the cost of the assistance given to individual projects by the UK Government. The grants are not paid to the companies concerned in addition to assistance they receive from Government.

	Industry, Tourism		Infrastructure		Totals in fm	
	4th tranche 1981	Total 1975-81	4th tranche 1981	Total 1975-81	4th tranche 1981	Total 1975-81
North England	-	46.96	7.15	107.12	7.15	154.08
N.W. England	0.84	67.13	5.56	47.40	6.40	114.53
Yorkshire & Humberside	0.05	5.41	1.95	40.29	1.99	45.77
East Midlands	-	1.42	0.05	6.30	0.05	7.72
S.W. England	-	3.10	0.61	16.40	0.61	19.49
Scotland	1.15	51.50	11.38	139.76	12.53	202.19 <sup>(1)</sup>
Wales	1.01	39.95	5.28	82.93	6.29	122.91
North.Ireland	3.82	48.93	4.26	62.81	8.42	113.56 <sup>(2)</sup>
West Midlands	-	-	-	0.35	-	0.35
	6.87	264.40	36.24	503.36	43.44	780.61

(1) Includes £10.92m for mountain region infrastructure 1975-81

(2) Includes £ 1.81m for mountain region infrastructure 1975-81

## TOTAL AID (all projects)

£12 527 247

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A. Industrial project

- Fife Region, Dumfermline - MEL  
(manufacture of military and medical electronic systems, equipment and components)

£1 146 595

B. Infrastructure projects

- Strathclyde Region, Glasgow - Strathclyde Regional Council  
(Springburn Road realignment, phase I - dual two-lane carriageways, bridges and footways)
- Highland Region, Inverness - Highland Regional Council  
(Inverness main drainage scheme - provision of main sewers, pumping stations, treatment works and outfall to sea)

£1 902 000

£219 000

Aid is given under global applications to the following projects:Borders Region

- Berwickshire District  
(reconstruction of Billiesburn Bridge on the B6355)
- Berwickshire District  
(phases I and II of the East Berwickshire water augmentation scheme)
- Etrick and Lauderdale District  
(construction of an agricultural training and further education unit at Newtown St Boswells)

Dumfries & Galloway Region

- Stewartry District  
(realignment of the A711 to the west of Dalbeattie)
- Stewartry District  
(A713 improvement - reconstruction of narrow bridge at Carsphairn and realignment of bends on the approaches to the bridge)

Highland Region

- Sutherland District  
(construction of approach road to the proposed Kylesku Bridge)
- Sutherland District  
(construction of new bridge on the A897 in the Strath of Kildonan)

Fife Region

- Glenrothes New Town  
(provision of sewers for land in the vicinity of Glenrothes Airfield)
- Glenrothes New Town  
(provision of drainage facilities in the Bankhead area of Southfield Industrial Estate)
- Glenrothes New Town, Southfield Industrial Estate  
(provision of dual pipe foul and surface water sewers)
- Kinghorn  
(sewage treatment works, phase I)
- Kirkcaldy  
(realignment of A910 at Cluny and provision of a new bridge)
- Kirkcaldy  
(construction of road link between A92 and Raith Distributor Road)
- Leven  
(provision of a bus station for travel-to-work purposes)
- Lundin Links  
(improvement of junction between the A915 and A917)
- St Monans and Pittenweem  
(construction of St Monans/Pittenweem Sewage Treatment Works, Phase I)
- Tayport  
(improvement of sewage outfall facilities, phases 1 and 2)

Grampian Region

- Aberdeen  
(extension of wharf, Aberdeen Harbour)
- Aberdeen  
(surfacing and drainage of trailer park at roll-on/roll-off ferry terminal, Aberdeen Harbour)
- Aberdeen  
(construction of a connector road at North Street)
- Aberdeen  
(widening of bridge at Marishal Street)
- Aberdeen  
(realignment of Mugiemoos Road)
- Aberdeen  
(lining of Footdee main sewer with epoxy resin units)
- Dyce  
(construction of a new roundabout on the A947)
- Inverurie  
(construction of high level reservoir and associated pipework)
- Inverurie  
(construction of water main)
- Inverurie  
(site servicing of Middlefield Industrial Estate)

SCOTLAND (contd)

Grampian Region (contd)

- Peterhead  
(site servicing of Invernettie Industrial Estate)
- Turriff  
(construction of phase II of Turriff Main Drainage Scheme)
- Turriff  
(upgrading of Turriff Water Treatment Works)

Lothian Region

- East Lothian District  
(extension of Eastern Interceptor Sewer to serve west sector of East Lothian District)
- Kirknewton  
(improvement of industrial estate road at Camps)
- Leith  
(modernisation and modification of grain elevator at Imperial Dock)
- Loanhead  
(road extension in Pentland Industrial Estate)

Strathclyde Region

- Clydebank  
(provision of bulk electricity supply point with substation and associated equipment and cabling for Clydebank Enterprise Zone)
- Clydebank  
(construction of electricity substation)
- Dumbarton District  
(provision of main telephone cable link between Dumbarton and Alexandria telephone exchanges)
- Glasgow  
(extension of Halfway Telephone Exchange, Glasgow, and installation of electronic equipment)
- Glasgow  
(improvement of primary electricity substation at Elliot Street)
- Glasgow  
(construction of primary electricity substation in Port Dundas redevelopment area)
- Glasgow  
(construction of electricity substation in Springburn redevelopment area)
- Gourrock  
(provision of multiple duct relief telephone cable system)
- Paisley  
(construction of new telephone exchange with electronic equipment at Thornly Park)

SCOTLAND (contd)

Tayside Region

- Arbroath  
(provision of link from new Arbroath telephone exchange to existing cable network)
- Dundee  
(construction of new Claverhouse Telephone Exchange, installation of electronic equipment and link to Dundee Telephone Exchange)
- Dundee  
(construction of University Bypass)
- Dundee  
(construction of Dens Road/Alexander Street link road)
- Dundee  
(improvement of access road (Kirk Street) to Lochee industrial area)
- Dundee  
(improvement of access road (Blackness Road) to Blackness industrial area)
- Dundee  
(improvement of access road (Milnbank Road) to Blackness industrial area)
- Forfar  
(construction of link water main and reservoir at Balmashanner, Phase I)
- Forfar  
(construction of access road to Orchardbank Industrial Estate)
- Montrose  
(construction of link water main from Borrowfield to Kinnaber Reservoir water treatment works)
- Montrose  
(construction of access road and improvement of internal road at Broomfield Industrial Estate)

Total aid in respect of 54 infrastructure projects (global application)

£9 259 652

NORTH OF ENGLAND

TOTAL AID (all projects)  
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£7 147 500  
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Infrastructure projects

- Tyne and Wear, Newcastle upon Tyne - North East Regional Airport  
Committee  
(extension and refurbishing of existing passenger terminal buildings  
at Newcastle Airport)

£1 476 000

Aid is given under global applications to the following projects:

Cleveland

- East Cleveland  
(reinforcement of gas supply)
- Hartlepool Dock  
(extension to 'D' Shed)
- Langbaugh  
(reconstruction of North Street to serve industrial area)
- Middlesbrough  
(construction of access road in the Vulcan Street industrial  
improvement area)
- Seal Sands Industrial Area  
(provision of potable water supply)
- Tees Dock  
(construction and installation of bulk cargo reclaimer and associated  
equipment)
- Teesport  
(reconstruction of Tees Dock road)
- Teesport  
(reconstruction of Thornaby Rd. which serves Teesside industrial area)
- Teesport  
(reconstruction of the Middlesbrough Road East which serves the South  
Teesside industrial area and Teesport)

Durham

- Derwentside, Tanfield Lea Industrial Estate  
(extension of access road and construction of spur road)
- Easington, Cold Hesledon Industrial Estate  
(provision of site access road and levelled serviced sites)
- Fishburn  
(provision of a reinforced concrete service reservoir and pumping  
station together with associated mains)
- Peterlee, South West Industrial Estate  
(preparation of serviced industrial site)

NORTH OF ENGLAND (contd)

Durham (contd)

- Port of Seaham  
(port redevelopment, phases III and IV)
- Sedgfield, Chilton Industrial Estate  
(provision of access roads and surface water and foul sewers)
- Spennymoor  
(construction of a reinforced concrete service reservoir)
- Thornley  
(construction of a waste disposal transfer station and associated  
access roads together with installation of drainage, plant and  
machinery)

Northumberland

- Prudhoe  
(extension of Princess Way to give access from the A695 to part of  
the Low Prudhoe Industrial Area)

Tyne and Wear

- Felling Shore  
(extension of Baltick Road to link with Green Lane industrial development  
together with drainage and services)
- Felling Shore  
(construction of road at Brewery Lane and construction of foul sewerage  
and surface drainage)
- Gateshead  
(provision of telephone exchange extension and installation of new  
equipment and line plant)
- Longbenton  
(construction of roundabout on A189 and access road to industrial area)
- Newburn Haugh  
(extension of access road and construction of sewers for industrial area)
- Newcastle  
(improvement of existing industrial accesses in the Ouseburn Industrial  
Improvement Area)
- Newcastle  
(construction of new sewer and storm water overflow at Walbottle Dene)
- North Shields  
(improvement and expansion of facilities at Port of Tyne)
- South Shields  
(provision of roundabout on A194 at junction with Wenlock Road)
- Houghton  
(site preparation and services for Rainton Bridge Industrial Estate)

NORTH OF ENGLAND (contd)

Tyne and Wear (contd)

- Wallsend  
(demolition of Station Road Bridge, construction of new bridge to allow access to industrial area and construction of pedestrian subway)
- Washington  
(provision of surface and foul water sewer system at Pattinson Industrial Estate South)
- Washington  
(provision of access road at Pattinson Industrial Estate)
- Washington  
(provision of new pumping station and main to serve Pattinson Industrial Estate South)

Total aid in respect of 32 infrastructure projects (global application) £5 671 500

YORKSHIRE & HUMBERSIDE

TOTAL AID (all projects)

£1 991 7

Infrastructure projects

Aid is given under global applications to the following infrastructure projects:

Humberside

- Grimsby  
(extension of waste transfer loading station)
- Hull, Sutton Fields Industrial Estate  
(provision of additional sewerage works)
- Hull, King George Dock  
(construction of reinforced concrete jetty)
- Scunthorpe, Skippingdale Industrial Estate  
(construction of estate roads)

South Yorkshire

- Mexborough  
(realignment of the A6023 at Denaby Main and provision of new bridge spanning the Sheffield and South Yorkshire Canal)
- Mexborough  
(widening and realignment of Marriot Road/Whitelee Road, Swinton)
- Mexborough, Thurnscoe  
(provision of access road, foul and surface water sewers, electricity, telephone connections and water supply at Lidgett Lane Industrial Estate)
- Rotherham  
(A629 Diversion - realignment of the western radial route into Rotherham)
- Rotherham, Gateway Industrial Estate  
(extension of roadway and provision of site services)

Total aid in respect of 9 infrastructure projects (global infrastructure) £1 946 700

Industrial project

- Bradford, Cullingworth - Five Flags Restaurant Ltd  
(addition of hotel bedrooms to existing restaurant)

£45 000

SOUTH WEST ENGLAND

TOTAL AID (all projects)  
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£612 900  
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Infrastructure projects

Aid is given under a global application to the following projects:

Cornwall

- Falmouth  
(diversion of sewage from the Old Hill district into the adjacent Swan Vale sewerage system to provide spare capacity in town centre sewers)
- Helston, Water Ma-Trout Industrial Estate  
(provision of road together with associated footways, surface water sewers, street lighting, mains electricity and water supply)
- Lostwithiel  
(construction of a gas pressure reduction station)
- Penryn  
(construction of balancing tank and new surface water sewers)
- Penzance Harbour  
(provision of a single dock gate)
- St Mawgan, Newquay Airport  
(extension to the existing terminal building)

Devon

- Plymouth, Belliver Industrial Estate  
(provision of footways and surfacing the final wearing course on estate carriageways and footways)
- Plymouth, Roborough Industrial Estate  
(provision of roads and services)

Total aid in respect of 8 infrastructure projects (global application)

£612 900

EAST MIDLANDS

TOTAL AID (all projects)

£49 500  
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Infrastructure project

- Northamptonshire, Corby, Oakley Hay Industrial Estate  
(provision of roads and sewers)

£49 500

NORTH WEST ENGLAND

TOTAL AID (all projects)  
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£6 399 400  
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A. Industrial project

- Merseyside, Bromborough - BXL Plastics Ltd  
(polyethylene film)

£844 000

B. Infrastructure projects

- Merseyside, Liverpool - Merseyside County Council  
(construction of Phases II, III and IV of the Liverpool Inner Ring Road)

£1 776 300

Aid is given under global applications to the following projects:

Cheshire

- Ellesmere Port  
(provision of electricity sub-station and general site services to Lees Lane and sewerage facilities to Leeds Lane and Stanney Mill Lane industrial sites)
- Ellesmere Port  
(provision of roads and sewers for industrial units)
- Runcorn Docks  
(installation of a 32 tonne derrick crane)

Greater Manchester

- Ince  
(extension of Richard Street to service sites for industrial development)
- Wigan  
(extension of telecommunications network)

Merseyside

- Knowsley, Huyton Industrial Estate  
(upgrading of estate roads)
- Knowsley, Knowsley Industrial Estate  
(upgrading of estate road)
- Litherland  
(industrial site servicing)
- Liverpool Maritime Museum  
(restoration and adaptation of dock and quayside buildings)
- Liverpool  
(construction of access road to Garston Industrial Area)
- Liverpool  
(upgrading of Back Gillmoss Lane access road)

NORTH WEST ENGLAND (contd)

Merseyside (contd)

- Liverpool  
(infrastructure works, site preparation and servicing of four inner area industrial sites)
- Liverpool  
(provision of new telephone exchange equipment and extension of exchange buildings at Aintree, Bootle, Hightown and Stanley)
- Speke Airport  
(construction of new facilities)
- St Helens  
(industrial site servicing)
- Walton  
(upgrading of estate roads to provide access to the Brasenose Road Industrial Area)
- Wirral  
(provision of roads and sewers at Cross Lane Industrial Estate)

Total aid in respect of 17 infrastructure projects (global application) £3 779 100

NORTHERN IRELAND

TOTAL AID (all projects)  
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£8 424 842  
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A. Industrial projects

- Londonderry, Du Pont (UK) Ltd  
(construction of new plant for the manufacture of Hypalon)

£2 022 112

Aid is given under a global application to the following projects:

Co Antrim

- Belfast, Cantrell & Cochrane Ltd  
(manufacture of soft drinks)
- Belfast, Heritage Crystal Ltd  
(engraving of crystal glass)
- Monkstown, Camco Ltd  
(manufacture of oilfield equipment)
- Monkstown, Standard Telephone & Cables (NI) Ltd  
(manufacture of telecommunications and audio equipment)

Total aid in respect of 4 industrial projects (global application) £1 801 750

B. Infrastructure projects

Aid is given under global applications to the following projects:

Co Antrim

- Armoyn  
(construction of new sewage disposal works)
- Ballyclare/Whitehead  
(laying of water mains and installation of pump chamber, break pressure tank and small booster pumps)
- Dunmurry  
(extension and improvement to existing sewage disposal works)
- Glarryford  
(construction of pumping station, 5 boreholes with pumps and laying of associated pipework)
- Lisburn  
(laying of ductile iron pipes to provide link between two water supply systems)
- Mallusk  
(extension of existing sewage disposal works)

Co Down

- Bangor  
(installation of new electronic telephone exchange switching equipment)
- Castlewella  
(construction of eduction tower and pumping station and laying of water main)
- Donaghadee  
(construction of new sewage disposal works)

Co Londonderry

- Londonderry City  
(construction of pumping station and laying of sewer pipe across Criagavon Bridge)
- Londonderry City  
(laying of main sewer, branch sewers and other ancillary work)
- Lough Banagher  
(construction of a replacement aqueduct)
- Magherafelt  
(construction of a service reservoir and feeder main)
- Swatath  
(laying of water mains, construction of pump station, two service reservoirs and ancillary works)

Co Tyrone

- Strabane  
(provision of sewer pipes and pumping station)

Total aid in respect of 15 infrastructure projects (global application) £4 600 980

WALES

TOTAL AID (all projects)  
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£6 311 825  
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A. Industrial projects

Aid is given under a global application to the following projects:

Clwyd

- Wrexham, E. Gomme Ltd  
(furniture)

Gwent

- Cwmbran, Ferranti Computer Systems Ltd  
(computer manufacturing)

Mid Glamorgan

- Treherbert, Home Insulation Ltd  
(double glazing units and patio doors)
- Bridgend, Sony (UK) Ltd  
(colour television tubes)

South Glamorgan

- Cardiff, Automobile Association Insurance Services Ltd  
(insurance services)

Total aid in respect of 5 industrial projects (global application)

£1 007 342

B. Infrastructure projects

Aid is given under global applications to the following projects:

Dyfed

- Tenby  
(construction of concrete encasement to stabilise over-hanging rock on the main road into Tenby)

Gwent

- Blackwood  
(access road, footpaths, street lighting, gas, electricity, water and GPO services to the Penmaen Road Industrial Estate) /
- Caldicot  
(construction of road for service and industrial development)
- Cwmbran  
(access road to the Llantarnam and Ty Cech Industrial Sites)

WALES (contd)

Gwynedd

- Blaenau Ffestiniog  
(additional works on railway station to be used by British Rail and the Ffestiniog narrow gauge railway)
- Caernarfon  
(construction of a multi-purpose leisure and holiday centre)
- Caernarfon/Penygroes  
(widening and realignment of the A499)
- Porthmadog  
(construction of solid waste disposal scheme)
- Llanberis  
(slope stabilisation road works above the A4086)

Mid Glamorgan

- Bridgend  
(construction of dual carriageway road)
- Bridgend  
(construction of part of the Aberkenfig by-pass)
- Maesteg  
(widening and realignment of A4063)
- Maesteg  
(removal of low railway bridge on the A4063)
- Pontypridd, Albion Industrial Estate  
(construction of access and site roads and provision of water, drainage, gas and electricity services)

South Glamorgan

- Cardiff  
(widening of access road to North Docklands and Penarth Road industrial areas)

West Glamorgan

- Pontardawe  
(construction of access road to the North Sector Industrial Estate)
- Swansea  
(construction of marina and associated tourist development)
- Swansea  
(construction of site and access roads and provision of associated services to land being developed in the Lower Swansea Valley Enterprise Zone)

Total aid in respect of 18 infrastructure projects (global application)

£5 279 283

C. Study

- West Glamorgan, Swansea - Swansea City Council  
(Feasibility study into the construction of a barrage at the mouth of the River Tawe)

£25 200