

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (MEMBERS ALLOWANCES) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2003

MEMBERS ALLOWANCES INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

PUBLICATION OF ADOPTED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the above Regulations, the City Council has amended its Members Allowances Scheme and adopted a revised Scheme, after having regard to the report of the Independent Remuneration Panel. The provisions of the Scheme take effect from 1 April 2015 and shall remain in force for up to 4 years or until such earlier time as the Council determines to amend the Scheme, having first had regard to the further recommendations of the Panel on the issues at that time.

The Council accepted and have introduced the majority of the recommendations made by the Panel, with the exception to not support the option to apply the general inflation increase in the scheme for the 2015/16 municipal year, i.e. 2.2%. It was agreed that this was not appropriate due to the current financial climate. Travel rates will continue be indexed to HM Revenue and Customs rates. There were no changes to the Basic Allowance and Special Responsibility Allowances (SRAs) payable, with the exception of amending the current SRA schedule by the addition of an SRA for the Chairman of the Standards Committee at £1,521 (Band 6); and consequently that the provision for a co-optees' allowance (£3,024), previously paid to the co-opted Chairman of the Standards Committee, be removed from the Scheme.

The main features of the Scheme and the amounts of each allowance are set out below.

| Post | Basic Allowance | Special Responsibility Allowance (SRA) |
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| Basic Allowance | | |
| All Members | £5,580 | - |
| Band One | | |
| Leader | £5,580 | £16,734 |
| Band Two | | |
| Deputy Leader with a Portfolio | £5,580 | £9,129 |
| Band Three | | |
| Deputy Leader without a Portfolio | £5,580 | £7,605 |
| Cabinet Member with a Portfolio | £5,580 | £7,605 |
| Chairman of The Overview and | £5,580 | £7,605 |
| Scrutiny Committee | | |
| Chairman of Planning Committee | £5,580 | £7,605 |
| Leader of Principal Opposition | £5,580 | £7,605 |
| Group | | |
| Band Four | | |
| Chairman of Personnel Committee | £5,580 | £3,042 |
| Chairman of Licensing & | £5,580 | £3,042 |
| Regulation Committee | | |
| Band Five | | |
| Chairman of the Council | £5,580 | £2,280 |
| Chairman of Audit Committee | £5,580 | £2,280 |
| Other Opposition Group Leaders | £5,580 | £2,280 |
| Vice Chairman of Planning | £5,580 | £2,280 |
| Committee | | |

| £5,580 | £1,521 |
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Dependants' Carers' Allowance

Actual and reasonable costs up to £8.08 per hour

Co-opted Members

Parish Representatives on the Standards Committee - £240 pa.

Travel and Subsistence

All travel allowances, including those for co-opted representatives, to be paid at the following rates:-

Cars and Vans - 45p per mile (plus 5p per passenger up to 4 max.)

Motor Cycles - 24p per mile Bicycles - 20p per mile

Public transport may also be used in appropriate circumstances at actual cost

Subsistence rates as follows – only payable for duties outside the Council's area:-

Breakfast £5.17 Overnight stay (outside the district) £86.03 Lunch £7.13 Overnight stay (London) £98.11

Tea £2.79 Evening Meal £8.82

Travel and Subsistence Scheme for Parish Councils

As part of its work, the Panel prepared a travel and subsistence scheme for adoption by Parish Councils, again with effect from 1 April 2015. This enables Parishes to use the same rates as within the City Council Scheme, if they decide to adopt the Scheme.

Copies of both Schemes are available for inspection by the public, during normal office hours, at the City Offices, Colebrook Street, Winchester, or on the Council's website www.winchester.gov.uk

Copies of records of payments made under the City Council Members' Allowances Scheme are also available for inspection during normal office hours at the City Offices, Colebrook Street, Winchester
