

## ST HELENS COUNCIL MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES – 2015-2016

### Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003

The Council originally approved a Scheme of Members' allowances in June 2002, pursuant to the Local Government Act 2000. The Scheme has been in effect since it was last approved by Council on 16 May 2012.

The Scheme is intended to recognise the time commitment of Councillors, and is designed to ensure Members are not placed at a financial disadvantage whilst serving the residents of St Helens. All Councillors receive a standard basic allowance to cover basic duties and all Council business travel within the Borough. In addition, there are a number of Special Responsibility Allowances to reflect additional responsibilities.

The amounts currently payable in respect of each allowance mentioned in the Scheme are as follows:-

	<b>Annual Allowance (2015/2016) (wef 1 January 2015) £</b>
<b>Basic Allowance</b>	7,626
<b>Special Responsibilities</b>	
Leader of the Council	33,036
Deputy Leader of the Council	18,426
Opposition Leader	4,830
Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Commission	7,626
Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees	4,830
Opposition Deputy Leader	1,524
Minority Opposition Leader	1,524
Cabinet Members	15,246
Chair of Planning Committee	7,626
Chair of Licensing and Environmental Protection Committee	7,626
Mayor	7,626
Deputy Mayor	762
Member of Recycling and Waste Authority (unless also the Chairman of the Authority, when the figure is £6,348)	4,830

The responsibilities of those in receipt of special responsibility allowance are more particularly described in the Scheme.

The scheme also provides that travelling and subsistence allowance is payable in the following circumstances only:-

- 1) Official visits and opening ceremonies where these take place outside of the Borough;
- 2) Conferences, seminars and training provided these are held outside the Borough; and
- 3) Outside Bodies (on the approved list as determined from time to time) where meetings are held outside the Borough.

In making the Scheme the Council has complied with its duty to have regard to the recommendations of an independent remuneration panel.

A copy of the Scheme and a copy of a record of payments made in accordance with the Scheme is available for inspection by members of the public during normal office hours between Monday to Friday at the Town Hall, St Helens.

The Special Responsibility (SRA) and Basic Allowances are shown as gross amounts, but the allowances are subject to Income Tax and National Insurance Contributions, and therefore Members receive a net amount.

The following statement shows the payments that have been paid by St Helens Council during 2015-2016.

In some cases the actual payments amount to less than the full allowance, this may indicate that payments have been made for part of the year only.

Councillor	Details	Basic	SRA	Car Mileage	Subsistence	Public transport
ALMOND	To May 2015	840.50				
AYRES	To March 2016	7482.50				
BAINES		7626.00				
BANKS D	Chair of Licensing from May 2015	7626.00	9830.98			
BANKS J	Cabinet Member from May 2015	7626.00	13176.31			
BELL	Cabinet Member from August 2015	7626.00	9672.19			
BOND	From May 2015	6785.50				
BOWDEN	Cabinet Member	7626.00	15246.00			
BURNS	Chair of Commission	7626.00	7626.00			
CHARLTON		1414.49				
CROSS		7626.00				
CUNLIFFE	Mersey Waste	7626.00	4830.00			
DE'ASHA	Chair of Planning	7626.00	7246.44			
DEAKIN		7626.00				
DYER		7626.00				

FLETCHER	Chair of Audit Scrutiny	7626.00	6243.99			
FULHAM	Cabinet Member from May 2015. Mersey Travel (MT) to May 2015	7626.00 770.40MT	13176.32			51.25 30.00MT
GILL	From May 2015	6785.49				
GLOVER L	Cabinet Member to May 2015	7626.00	2069.68			10.90
GLOVER S	Mayor from May 2015	7626.00	7626.00	42.68	115.42	
GOMEZ ASPRON	Cabinet Member	7626.00	15246.00			
GRUNEWALD	Leader	7626.00	33036.00	150.35	570.46	540.38
HALLIWELL		7626.00				
HARGREAVES	Chair of Scrutiny to May 2015	7626.00	655.69			
HAW		7626.00				
IRELAND	Chair of Health Scrutiny	7626.00	4174.31			
JACKSON J		7626.00				
JACKSON P		7626.00				
JOHNSON A	Cabinet Member	7626.00	15246.00			
JOHNSON J		7626.00				
JONES	Leader of Minority Group	7626.00	1524.00			
LYNCH		7626.00				
MALONEY		7626.00				
MCCAULEY	Cabinet Member	7626.00	15246.00		5.00	
MCQUADE		7626.00				
MURPHY	Cabinet Member to August 2015	7626.00	5532.82			
MUSSELL		7626.00				
NICHOLS		7626.00				
PEARL	Mayor to May 2015	7626.00	1035.25			
PEARSON	Cabinet Member to May 2015	7626.00	2069.68			
PRESTON C	Chair of Scrutiny Panel	7626.00	4830.00			
PRESTON L	Chair of Environment Scrutiny from	7626.00	1610.00			
QUINN	Cabinet Member from 20/05/15. Merseytravel (MT) to May 2015	7626.00 770.40MT	13176.32 1354.13MT	230.40		100.85
RIMMER	Chair of Audit Scrutiny to May 2015. Declined Allowance from May 2015.	1271.00	655.69			
ROBERTS	Merseytravel from May 2015	7626.00 4904.64MT				
ROBINSON		7626.00				
SEDDON	Passed Away 16/09/2015	3516.43	2227.16			
SHIELDS	Merseytravel from May 2015	7626.00 4904.64MT				

SIMS	Leader of Minority Group	7626.00	1524.00			
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