



St. Helens Council

**MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES
END OF YEAR STATEMENT
2010-2011**

ST HELENS COUNCIL MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES – 2010-2011

The Council originally approved a Scheme of Members' allowances in June 2002, pursuant to the Local Government Act 2000. The current Scheme has been in effect since it was approved by Council on 5 November 2008. In July 2010, however, the Council decided to reduce allowances by 4% across the board. In addition, the Council decided to tie the index used to determine the amount of any percentage increase in allowances to that of the General Rate received by Joint National Council for Local Government Services members. The effect of this in 2010-11 was that no increase in allowances was possible.

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:-

SCHEDULE

MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES

	* Annual Allowance (2010/2011) (Payable with effect from 1 April – 13 July 2010) £	Annual Allowance (2010/2011) (Payable with effect from 14 July 2010) £
Basic Allowance	7,695	7,386
Special Responsibilities		
Leader of the Council	33,339	32,004
Deputy Leader of the Council	18,594	17,850
Opposition Leader and Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Commission	15,387	14,772
Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees	4,872	4,677
Vice Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees (to 19 May 2010)	1,539	
Opposition Deputy Leader	1,539	1,476
Minority Opposition Leader	1,539	1,476
Cabinet Members	15,387	14,772
Chair of Planning Committee	7,695	7,386
Chair of Licensing and Environmental Protection Committee	4,872	4,677
Mayor	7,695	7,386
Deputy Mayor	768	738
Member of Waste Disposal Authority	4,872	4,677

* On 14 July 2010 Council resolved to reduce Members Allowances by 4%

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 2010-2011.

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, or that the Member has opted not to take the annual up rate in the allowance.

Name of Member	Designation	Basic Allowance	Special Responsibility Allowance	Public Transport	Subsistence	Car Mileage
ANDERTON	Councillor from 10 May 2010 Member on Merseyside Pensions Board	6661.66		11.80	11.05	59.06
ASHCROFT N	Chair of Licensing to 19 May 2010	7489.08	648.29			
ASHCROFT W	Cabinet Member to 19 May 2010 Minority Opposition Leader from 19 May 2010	7489.08	5697.57			
ASTBURY		7489.08				
AYRES		7489.08				
BACON	Councillor from 14 October 2010	3077.55				
BANKS	O & S Chairman from 19 May 2010	7489.08	3523.92			
BEIRNE	O & S Chairman to 19 May 2010	7489.08	648.29			
BOWDEN	O & S Chairman to 19 May 2010 Cabinet Member from 19 May 2010	7489.08	13040.11			
BURNS	Councillor from 2 December 2010	2422.32				

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CAUNCE	Councillor to 3 September 2010	3242.06				
CROSS	Councillor from 10 May 2010	6661.66				
CROWTHER	Chair of Planning to 9 May 2010 Councillor to 9 May 2010	827.42	827.42			
DE'ASHA	Cabinet Member from 19 May 2010	7489.08	12391.82			
DEAKIN	Member of Merseyside Police Authority	7489.08				17.46
DUNN	Councillor to 9 May 2010	827.42				
EVANS	Cabinet Member to 19 May 2010	7489.08	2047.46	84.60		484.96
FERRY	Cabinet Member to 9 May 2010 Councillor to 9 May 2010	827.42	1654.52			
FLETCHER	Councillor from 10 May 2010	6661.65				
GILL	Councillor from 10 May 2010	6661.66				
GLOVER L	Councillor from 10 May 2010	6661.66				
GLOVER S		7489.08				
GRICE		7489.08				
GRUNEWALD	O & S Vice Chair to 19 May 2010 Deputy Leader of the Council from 19 May 2010	7489.08	15178.89		202.10	493.64
HARGREAVES	Member on Waste Disposal Authority from 19 May 2010	7489.08	3517.44	31.50	13.99	
HENNESSY		7489.08				
KAVANAGH	Cabinet Member to 19 May 2010	7489.08	2047.46			
KENT		7489.08				
KNIGHT	Deputy Leader of the Council to 19 May 2010 Opposition Deputy Leader from 19 May 2010	7489.08	6124.33			
KNOWLES	O & S Vice Chair to 19 May 2010	7489.08	204.78			106.70
LOWE		7489.08				1.20
MALONEY	O & S Vice Chair to 19 May 2010 Deputy Mayor from 19 May 2010	7489.08	204.78 738.00			
MARTINEZ-WILLIAMS		7489.08				
MCCAULEY	Chair of Planning from 19 May 2010	7489.08	6196.23			
MCGUIRE	O & S Chair from 19 May 2010 Member of Coalfields Regeneration Trust	7489.08	3523.92		519.54	
MCQUADE		7489.08				
MONK	Councillor from 10 May 2010	6661.66				

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MURPHY	Cabinet Member from 19 May 2010	7489.08	12391.82	45.00		
PARR	Councillor to 9 May 2010	827.42				
PEARL		7489.08				
PEARSON	O & S Chair to 19 May 2010 Cabinet Member from 19 May 2010	7489.08	13040.11			
QUINN		7489.08				
RIMMER	Opposition Leader to 19 May 2010, Leader of the Council from 19 May 2010	7489.08	28895.15	64.20	44.55	55.99
ROBERTS		7489.08				
ROUGHLEY	Councillor to 9 May 2010	827.42				
SEDDON		7489.08				
SHELDON E	Councillor to 9 May 2010	827.42				
SHELDON J	O & S Vice Chair to 19 May 2010	7489.08	204.78			
SHIELDS	Mayor to 19 May 2010 Chair of Licensing Committee from 19 May 2010	7489.08	1023.93 3923.36			
SIMS	Cabinet Member to 19 May 2010	7489.08	2047.46			18.73
SMITH	Cabinet Member from 19 May 2010	7489.08	13040.11			320.10
SPENCER	Leader of the Council to 19 May 2010, Opposition Leader from 19 May 2010	7489.08	16828.06	34.60		128.70
TAYLOR	Vice Chair of O & S Committee to 19 May 2010 Mayor from 19 May 2010	7489.08	204.78 6465.07		31.70	
TOPPING STEPHANIE	O & S Chair	7489.08	4172.21			23.87
TOPPING STEPHEN		7489.08				
WARD	Councillor to 6 May 2010	765.37				

O & S = Overview and Scrutiny