

Extract from Member Allowances Scheme effective from April 2024

All annual amounts

Increase on 2023/2024 by 3.2% CPI

Basic allowance: £10,799

IT broadband allowance claimable on evidence of payment: £296 p.a. (paid monthly)

SCHEDULE 1 - POSITIONS DEEMED TO CARRY SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES AND THE AMOUNTS PAYABLE (Special Responsibility Allowances)

BAND	AMOUNT OF ALLOWANCE	ROLE
Band 1	£42,078	Leader of the County Council
Band 2	£22,343	Deputy Leader of the County Council
Band 3	£21,935	Cabinet Members with Responsibility Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board
Band 4 (a)	£12,461	*Leader of the Conservative Group Leader of the Labour Group Leader of the Unity Group Leader of the Green and Independent Alliance Group Lead Scrutiny Members (including Vice Chairman of OSPB, Lead Member for Community Safety, Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairman and Chairmen of Overview and Scrutiny Panels)
		Chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee Chairman of the Waste Credit Governance Committee
Band 4 (b)	£12,941	Chairman of the Planning and Regulatory Committee Chairman of the Pensions Committee

* Not currently payable due to rule against double allowances

In addition to those Special Responsibility Allowances payable, an allowance of £14,233p.a. is payable to the Chairman of the County Council under the provisions of

the Local Government Act 1972. An allowance of £3,233 p.a. is also payable to the Vice-Chairman under this provision. **(no change)**

SCHEDULE 3 – RATES OF TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES *(no change to travel, public transport or subsistence)*

Travelling Allowances

With effect from 1 April 2012 eco-friendly mileage ranges have been introduced for Councillors. For claims between 1 and 8,500 miles the rates are based on the following VED bands (emissions in grams per kilometre g/km):

- band 1 - VED bands A to C (0 -120g/km) 45p per mile
- band 2 - VED bands D to H (121-175g/km) 40p per mile
- band 3 - VED bands I to M (176+ g/km) 36p per mile

Vehicles registered before 1 March 2001 will be included in band 2. The VED band/CO2 emissions for vehicles registered after 1 March 2001 is found on the tax disc and/or registration document (Form V5). There are no passenger rates included in the new scheme.

Claims for mileage in excess of 8,500 miles will be paid at 15p per mile irrespective of CO2 emissions.

Public Transport

The amount of the ordinary standard class fare (or any available cheap fare as incurred).

Bicycle Rates 20 pence per mile

Subsistence Allowances (payable out of county only)

With effect from 1 April 2012 a Councillor, on an approved duty for at least six hours and who takes one meal outside a 50 mile radius of the County Hall Campus (not home address) can be reimbursed (against receipts) to a maximum value of £8.80.

Overnight Accommodation

Councillors who require overnight accommodation should, wherever possible, make the necessary arrangements via the Member Support Unit. In exceptional circumstances, where it has not been possible to make the necessary arrangements in advance, then prior consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services should take place, whereupon any reasonable expenses incurred may be reclaimed on the production of the necessary receipts.

Carers and Dependants Allowance

Up to **£7.49** per hour with an annual ceiling of **£2,994.86** evidenced by receipts.