

By: Ben Watts, General Counsel
To: Selection and Member Services Committee -
Subject: MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES 2018/2019
Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: The Committee is invited to note and approve for publication the annual return for Members' allowances and expenses, together with details of the costs of the County Car service and taxis for Members for 2017/18.

FOR INFORMATION

Introduction

1. In accordance with paragraph 15 of The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003, Kent County Council is required to publish annually the allowances paid to Members, which includes the Basic, Special Responsibility, Travelling and Subsistence, Dependent Carers and Co-optees Allowances. The Committee will also be aware of the legal requirement for the County Council to have a Member Remuneration Panel to advise the Council on the level of allowances and expenses Members should receive.

Details for 2018/19

2. The schedule of Members' Allowances and Expenses for the period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 is attached as **Appendix A**. The total gross cost (including VAT) of all allowances and expenses for Members in 2018/19 is **£1,989,911** which represents a **£47,446** increase in total costs compared to 2017/18 of **£1,942,465**. As the VAT element can be reclaimed, Member's allowances and expenses have been reported monthly throughout the year on a net basis (excluding VAT) in order to demonstrate the true cost to the authority.

3. At its meeting on 13 July 2011, this Committee agreed that the costs incurred by Members using the County Cars and taxis that were booked directly by KCC should also be reported on an annual basis. The total net cost of the County Car service in 2018/19 was £10,836 compared to £26,980 in 2017/18, as detailed in **Appendix B**.

Recommendation:

4. The Committee is requested to note this report and agree to the publication of the allowances and expenses for 2018/19 as detailed in **Appendix A** as required by the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003

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Background Information: *Members' Expenses records for 2018/19 held by Kent County Council*

Council Members Expenses and Allowances Paid - April - March 2019

Name	Initials	Public Transport	Casual User Allowance	Professional Membership	Postage	Subsistence	Carers Attendance Allowance	Total Expenses	Basic Allowances	Special Responsibility Allowance	Total Remuneration	Grand Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Allen	A D	2	2,687					2,690	15,086	14,528	29,614	32,303
Angell	M J	16	2,667					2,683	15,086	15,032	30,118	32,801
Balfour	M A							0	15,086	4,496	19,582	19,582
Barrington-King	P		532					532	15,086		15,086	15,618
Bartlett	P W	36	468					504	15,086		15,086	15,590
Bell	C		101					101	12,997	10,154	23,151	23,251
Beresford	P		1,107					1,107	15,086		15,086	16,193
Binks	R		2,351					2,351	15,086		15,086	17,437
Bird	R H	132				150		282	15,086	7,142	22,228	22,510
Bond	T		1,300					1,300	15,086		15,086	16,386
Booth	A		1,516					1,516	15,086	4,169	19,255	20,770
Bowles	A H	9	2,038					2,047	15,086	10,654	25,740	27,787
Brazier	D L		2,693					2,693	15,086	5,732	20,818	23,511
Butler	D	131						131	15,086		15,086	15,217
Carey	S J	97	2,861					2,957	15,086	31,476	46,563	49,520
Carter	P B	252	3,095			162		3,509	15,086	48,425	63,511	67,020
Chandler	S		522					522	15,086	8,474	23,560	24,082
Chard	N J	197	182					379	15,086	4,761	19,847	20,226
Chittenden	I							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Cole	P T		1,137					1,137	15,086	8,474	23,560	24,697
Collor	N		1,255					1,255	15,086		15,086	16,341
Constantine	K		994					994	15,086		15,086	16,080
Cook	A		1,138					1,138	15,086		15,086	16,224

Cooke	G							0	15,086	8,474	23,560	23,560
Cooper	P C	277						277	15,086		15,086	15,363
Crabtree	M E	128	1,553					1,681	15,086	14,528	29,614	31,295
Daley	D S							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Dance	M C	237	3,799					4,036	15,086	31,476	46,563	50,599
Dawson	E		1,202					1,202	15,086		15,086	16,288
Dean	T	253	131					384	15,086	3,571	18,657	19,041
Dhesi	T							0	14,313		14,313	14,313
Farrell	D	91	2,858			360		3,309	15,086	8,537	23,623	26,932
Game	L	99	982					1,081	15,086	2,468	17,554	18,634
Gent	S							0	14,313		14,313	14,313
Gibbens	G K	2,491	1,394					3,884	15,086	31,476	46,563	50,447
Gough	R W	978	4,146					5,124	15,086	31,476	46,563	51,687
Hamilton	S	54	1,273					1,327	15,086		15,086	16,413
Harman	P M							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Hill	P M	267	4,113			99		4,479	15,069	29,150	44,220	48,699
Hills	T	150	2,452					2,602	15,086		15,086	17,688
Hohler	S V	167	1,988			99		2,254	15,086	14,528	29,614	31,867
Holden	S	82	1,514					1,596	15,086	14,528	29,614	31,209
Homewood	P J							0	15,086	3,978	19,064	19,064
Hook	A							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Horwood	M		40					40	15,086		15,086	15,126
Hotson	E E		1,042					1,042	15,069	30,108	45,177	46,219
Hurst	E		77					77	15,086		15,086	15,163
Kite	J A							0	15,086	9,685	24,771	24,771
Koowaree	S J							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Lake	P		1,423					1,423	15,086	4,306	19,392	20,814
Lewis	B		2,574					2,574	15,086		15,086	17,660
Linfield	I	6	1,480			284		1,770	15,086		15,086	16,856
Long	R L	31	1,992					2,023	15,086	31,476	46,563	48,585
Love	R	36	972					1,007	15,086		15,086	16,093
Lymer	G	71	2,794					2,865	15,086	8,474	23,560	26,426
Manion	S C	664	2,376			295		3,335	15,086		15,086	18,421

Marsh	D	325	777					1,101	15,086	14,528	29,614	30,715
Marsh	R A	304	2,706					3,010	15,086	10,654	25,740	28,749
McInroy	J	40	1,962			19		2,020	15,086	10,154	25,240	27,260
Messenger	P		2,486					2,486	15,086		15,086	17,572
Monk	D							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Murphy	D	815	6					821	15,086		15,086	15,907
Northey	M J	251	1,549					1,799	15,086	14,528	29,614	31,413
Oakford	P J	111	3,762					3,873	15,086	31,476	46,563	50,435
Ozog	J M							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Pascoe	D		1,152					1,152	15,086		15,086	16,238
Payne	M	540	3,764					4,305	15,086	14,528	29,614	33,918
Prendergast	S	19	1,968					1,987	15,086	14,528	29,614	31,601
Pugh	K		948					948	15,086	5,855	20,941	21,888
Rankin	C	99	1,551					1,650	15,086	26,374	41,460	43,109
Rayner	H							0	15,086		15,086	15,086
Ridgers	A		608					608	15,086	4,849	19,935	20,543
Simkins	C E	218	963					1,181	15,086	8,474	23,560	24,742
Simmonds	J D							0	6,255	10,492	16,748	16,748
Stockell	P A							0	15,086	4,843	19,929	19,929
Sullivan	L		803			27	0	830	15,086		15,086	15,916
Sweetland	B							0	15,086	8,474	23,560	23,560
Thomas	I		1,303					1,303	15,086		15,086	16,389
Thomas	R		143					143	5,719		5,719	5,862
Whiting	M	125	1,329					1,454	15,086	31,476	46,563	48,017
Whybrow	M E	822						822	15,086		15,086	15,908
Wright	J	47	977					1,024	15,086		15,086	16,110
Grand Total		10,669	99,572	0	0	1,494	0	111,735	1,215,187	662,989	1,878,176	1,989,911

Appendix B

Running Costs of Members Cars

	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	293.97	3,376.70	6,700.48	6,486	4,066	4,248	7,436
Petrol	1,995.26	2,941.22	5,113.93	4,440	4,997	5,588	6,786
Insurance		16.27		200			
Congestion Charges	925.50	869.50	518.50	1,173	529	472	933
G Vrakopolous 25% of costs (in previous years 45%)	-	7,924.99	8,291.53	14,423	12,520	13,921	14,558
Chauffeurs Employment costs	7,620.79	11,851.24	15,124.86	21,456	16,870	19,364	22,362
Less Chauffeur Recharges					(140)		(490)
	10,836	26,980	35,749	48,178	38,842	43,593	51,585

Plus

Lease Charges - 4 cars until 24/10/06 then 3 cars only

Purchase of 3 cars (invoice date 14/12/09) spread over 2 years

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