

Appendix 1b

Quantitative evidence for Q10 MHCLG Remote Meetings Call for Evidence – Kent County Council

Spend on printing of agendas (£)

2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
42,012	29,903	54,759	28,274

£26,485 (48%) reduction in printing costs during 2020/21 compared to the previous year as Members access papers digitally with more frequency.

Spend on mileage and public transport by Members (£)

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Mileage	93,034	95,989	95,055	9,000
Public transport	6,724	12,095	13,022	947

£98,130 (91%) reduction in combined mileage and public transport costs while running a full programme of remote meetings compared to the previous year of physical meetings.

With savings on mileage and the Chairman's Lunch for Members (as it is an all-day meeting), each County Council meeting saves around £1,500 when done remotely compared to a physical meeting. This involves all 81 Members, so the other Committee meetings would have proportionally smaller savings, but in aggregate the savings are substantial.

Number of Formal Meetings per Month per Municipal Year

Year	20-21	19-20	18-19
April	2	6	13
May	2	16	14
June	12	21	14
July	18	15	26
August	7	5	5
September	23	25	24
October	13	12	16
November	22	20	19
December	9	18	11
January	21	16	16
February	16	24	16
March	23	18	19
Total	168	196	193