

By: Paul Wickenden, Democratic Services Manager (Members)  
To: Selection and Member Services Committee – 10 October 2017  
Subject: MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES 2016/2017  
Classification: Unrestricted

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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 2016/17.

FOR INFORMATION

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### 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 2016/17

2. The schedule of Members' Allowances and Expenses for the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 is attached as **Appendix A**. The total gross cost (including VAT) of all allowances and expenses for Members in 2016/17 is **£1,744,978** which represents a **£22,860 decrease** in total costs compared to 2015/16 of **£1,767,838**. 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 2016/17 was **£35,749**, compared to £48,178 in 2015/16, 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 2016/17 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 2016/17 held by Kent County Council*

**Appendix A**

**Kent County Council**

**Council Members Expenses and Allowances Paid April - Mar 2016/17**

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		2,119					2,119	12,805	12,633	25,438	27,556
Angell	M J	69	1,554					1,624	12,805	4,278	17,083	18,707
Baldock	M					258		258	12,805	1,250	14,055	14,313
Balfour	M A		53					53	12,805	27,371	40,176	40,229
Bird	R H							0	12,805	3,103	15,908	15,908
Birkby	H G	16	2,727					2,743	12,805	3,354	16,159	18,902
Bond	N		651					651	12,805		12,805	13,456
Bowles	A H	8	1,838					1,847	12,805	7,369	20,174	22,021
Brazier	D L	62	2,220					2,282	12,805	6,398	19,203	21,486
Brivio	P M	27	1,433					1,460	12,805	628	13,433	14,893
Brookbank	R E		249					249	4,372	2,516	6,887	7,136
Burgess	L							0	12,805	1,250	14,055	14,055
Caller	C W		781					781	12,805	738	13,543	14,323
Carey	S J		3,257					3,257	12,805	23,132	35,937	39,193
Carter	P B	78	2,129			159		2,366	12,805	42,109	54,914	57,280
Chard	N J	27	340					367	12,805		12,805	13,172
Chittenden	I							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Clark	B							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Cole	P T		1,624					1,624	12,805	12,633	25,438	27,061
Cooke	G							0	12,805	27,371	40,176	40,176
Cowan	G		2,996					2,996	12,805	6,316	19,121	22,118
Crabtree	M E	35	1,948					1,983	12,805	12,633	25,438	27,421
Cribbon	C J							0	2,490	156	2,645	2,645
Crowther	A D		1,257					1,257	12,805		12,805	14,062

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Dagger	V J							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Daley	D S							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Dance	M C	10	3,858					3,868	12,805	27,371	40,176	44,044
Davies	J A	287	1,695		2	104		2,088	12,805	9,264	22,069	24,157
Dean	T	252	455			70		776	12,805	6,211	19,016	19,793
Eddy	M R	4	2,591	35				2,630	12,805	738	13,543	16,173
Elenor	J							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Elenor	M							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Gates	T		1,733					1,733	12,805	13,286	26,091	27,824
Gibbens	G K	2,188	2,404					4,592	12,805	27,371	40,176	44,768
Gough	R W	511	4,377					4,888	12,805	27,371	40,176	45,063
Harman	P M							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Harrison	A	4	1,448					1,452	12,805		12,805	14,256
Harrison	M J	58	2,712			102		2,871	12,805	5,139	17,944	20,815
Heale	M	3	2,106					2,109	12,805	1,004	13,809	15,918
Hill	P M	208	4,441			218		4,867	12,805	27,371	40,176	45,043
Hoare	C		79					79	12,805		12,805	12,884
Hohler	S V	130	2,270					2,400	12,805	12,633	25,438	27,838
Holden	S	128	1,922					2,050	12,805	12,633	25,438	27,487
Homewood	P J							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Horwood	M		82					82	5,989		5,989	6,072
Hotson	E E		665					665	12,805	6,316	19,121	19,786
Howes	S J		347					347	12,805	582	13,387	13,734
King	A J							0	12,805	7,369	20,174	20,174
Kite	J A							0	12,805	6,316	19,121	19,121
Koowaree	S J							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Latchford	R A		4,605					4,605	12,805	4,841	17,646	22,251
Long	R L		435					435	12,805	7,369	20,174	20,609
Lymer	G	100	3,864					3,964	12,805	12,633	25,438	29,402

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Maddowall	B	100	1,934					2,035	12,805	267	13,072	15,106
Maddison	T A	19	2,223					2,243	12,805	110	12,915	15,157
Manion	S C	42	1,539			77		1,657	12,805		12,805	14,462
Marsh	D		579					579	7,917		7,917	8,496
Marsh	R A		2,437					2,437	12,805	5,249	18,054	20,491
McKenna	F							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Neaves	R G							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Northey	M J	62	2,206					2,268	12,805	12,633	25,438	27,706
Oakford	P J	239	2,895					3,134	12,805	27,371	40,176	43,310
Ozog	J M							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Parry	R J	83	2,589			5		2,677	12,805	7,369	20,174	22,851
Pearman	C R	218	3,710					3,928	12,805	12,633	25,438	29,366
Ridings	L B	84	3,173			125		3,382	12,805	7,369	20,174	23,556
Rowbotham	E D	7	1,836			167		2,010	12,805		12,805	14,815
Scholes	J E	78						78	12,805	7,369	20,174	20,252
Scobie	W	22	185					207	12,805		12,805	13,012
Shonk	T L		826					826	12,805		12,805	13,631
Simkins	C E		1,017					1,017	12,805		12,805	13,822
Simmonds	J D		3,829					3,829	12,805	27,371	40,176	44,005
Smith	C P		1,080					1,080	12,805	9,944	22,749	23,829
Smyth	D	1,332	255					1,587	12,805	738	13,543	15,129
Stockell	P A							0	12,805	9,944	22,749	22,749
Sweetland	B	20	445					465	12,805		12,805	13,270
Terry	N A	78	2,007					2,085	12,805		12,805	14,890
Thandi	N S		262					262	12,805		12,805	13,066
Truelove	R		59					59	12,805	2,000	14,805	14,865
Vye	M J		1,448					1,448	12,805		12,805	14,253
Waters	C							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Wedgbury	J N							0	12,805	990	13,795	13,795

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Whittle	J							0	12,805	7,369	20,174	20,174
Whybrow	M E							0	12,805		12,805	12,805
Wickham	M A	3	688					691	12,805	7,369	20,174	20,866
Wiltshire	Z P	1,005	418					1,423	12,805	1,236	14,041	15,463
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>7,596</b>	<b>106,903</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>115,821</b>	<b>1,070,775</b>	<b>558,383</b>	<b>1,629,158</b>	<b>1,744,978</b>

## Appendix B

### Running Costs of Members Cars

	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2011-12</u>	<u>2010-11</u>	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2008-9</u>	<u>2007-08</u>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	6,700.48	6,486	4,066	4,248	7,436	4,873	7,063	2,749	2,573	4,306
Petrol	5,113.93	4,440	4,997	5,588	6,786	6,612	9,222	7,617	10,287	9,443
Insurance		200								
Congestion Charges	518.50	1,173	529	472	933	759	833	842	778	744
G Vrakopolous 25% of costs (in previous years 45%)	8,291.53	14,423	12,520	13,921	14,558	13,799	13,823	13,890	14,346	12,671
Chauffeurs Employment costs	15,124.86	21,456	16,870	19,364	22,362	25,393	34,887	32,709	44,345	53,749
Less Chauffeur Recharges			(140)		(490)	(1,057)	(380)	(2,645)	(3,714)	(9,196)
	<b>35,749</b>	<b>48,178</b>	<b>38,842</b>	<b>43,593</b>	<b>51,585</b>	<b>50,379</b>	<b>65,448</b>	<b>55,162</b>	<b>68,615</b>	<b>71,717</b>

### **Plus**

Lease Charges - 4 cars until 24/10/06 then 3 cars only								11,514	21,970	21,020
Purchase of 3 cars (invoice date 14/12/09) spread over 2 years							10,000	10,620		
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>22,134</b>	<b>21,970</b>	<b>21,020</b>

### Total cost of each Member using Taxis 2016--2017

Mr King	£ 3370.40
Mr Burgess	£ 59.20
Mr Bond	£ 1113.50
Mrs Wiltshire	£ 36.80
Mr Dance	£ 66.40
Mr Baldock	£ 59.20
Mr Ridings	£ 254.40
Mr Latchford	£ 18.80
Mr Parry	£ 388.50