

ST HELENS COUNCIL MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES – 2016-2017

Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003

The Council originally approved a Scheme of Members' allowances in June 2002, pursuant to the Local Government Act 2000. The Scheme has been in effect since it was last approved by Council on 16 May 2012.

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 (2016/2017)

	£
Basic Allowance	7,701
Special Responsibilities	
Leader of the Council	33,336
Deputy Leader of the Council	18,609
Main Opposition Leader	4,878
Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Commission	7,701
Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees	4,878
Main Opposition Deputy Leader	1,539
Other Opposition Leaders	1,539
Cabinet Members	15,399
Chair of Planning Committee	7,701
Chair of Licensing and Environmental Protection Committee	7,701
Mayor	7,701
Deputy Mayor	768
Member of Recycling and Waste Authority (unless also the Chairman of the Authority, when the figure is £6,213)	4,878
Merseytravel	5,675

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 2016-2017.

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.

Councillor		Details	Total Basic	Total SRA	Public Transport	Mersey Travel Basic	Mersey Travel SRA
BAINES	D	Chair of Scrutiny Commission from 18 May 2016	7701.00	6696.96			
BANKS	CD	Mayor from 18 May 2016	7701.00	7701.00			
BANKS	J	Chair of Licensing from 18 May 2016, Chair of Scrutiny to 18 May 2016	7701.00	8704.62			
BELL	J	Cabinet Member	7701.00	15399.00			
BOND	M	Chair of Scrutiny from 18 May 2016	7701.00	4242.01			
BOWDEN	A	Deputy Leader	7701.00	18190.49			
BURNS	A	Cabinet Member from 18 May 2016	7701.00	14395.38			
CHARLTON	N		7701.00				

CLARKE	L	Member from May 2016	6893.64			
CROSS	G		7701.00			
CUNLIFFE	A	Mersey Waste	7701.00	4878.00		
DE'ASHA	J	Chair of Planning to 18 May 2016	7701.00	1004.00		
DEAKIN	K		7701.00			
DYER	S		7701.00			
FLETCHER	J	Chair of Scrutiny	7701.00	4878.00		
FULHAM	J	Cabinet Member	7701.00	15399.00	11.00	
GILL	C		7701.00			
GLOVER	L	Chair of Scrutiny from 18 May 2016	7701.00	4242.03		
GLOVER	S	Mayor to 18 May 2016, Chair of Planning from 18 May 2016	7701.00	7694.43		
GOMEZ ASPRON	S	Cabinet Member	7701.00	15399.00		
GRUNEWALD	B	Leader	7701.00	33366.00		
HALLIWELL	J	Member to May 2016	799.50			
HARGREAVES	T	Member to May 2016	799.50			
HAW	M		7701.00			
IRELAND	P	Chair of Scrutiny to 18 May 2016	7701.00	636.03		
JACKSON	J		7701.00			
JACKSON	J		7701.00			
JOHNSON	A	Cabinet Member	7701.00	15399.00		
JOHNSON	J		7701.00			
JONES	JA	Opposition Leader	7701.00	1539.00		
LONG	D	Member from May 2016	6893.64			
LYNCH	P		7701.00			
MALONEY	LL		7701.00			
MCCAULEY	R	Cabinet Member	7701.00	15399.00	5.80	
MCDONNELL	D	Chair of Scrutiny to 18 May 2016	7701.00	636.03		
MCQUADE	P		7701.00			

MURPHY	S		7701.00				
MUSSELL	L		7701.00				
NEAL	G	Member from May 2016	6893.64				
NICHOLS	R	Member to May 2016	799.50				
PEARL	G		7701.00				
PEARSON	J	Chair of Scrutiny	7701.00	4242.03			
PRESTON	C	Chair of Scrutiny	7701.00	4878.00			
PRESTON	L	Cabinet Member from 18 May 2016	7701.00	14027.32			
PRITCHARD	P	Member from May 2016	6893.64				
QUINN	M	Cabinet Member	7701.00	15399.00			
REYNOLDS	R	Member from May 2016	6893.64				
ROBERTS	K		7701.00			5675.00	
ROBINSON	S	Member to May 2016	799.50				
SHIELDS	T		7701.00			5675.00	2002.39
SIMS	TV	Opposition Leader	7701.00	1539.00			
WISEMAN	J	Member from May 2016	6893.64				

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