



# REPORT TO EXECUTIVE

## PORTFOLIO AREA: PERFORMANCE and DEVELOPMENT

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Date of Meeting: 1 June 2009

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Key Decision: Yes Recorded in Forward Plan: Yes

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**Title:** ELECTED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES - PROVISIONAL  
OUTTURN FOR 2008/09  
**Report of:** HEAD OF PERSONNEL AND DEVELOPMENT  
**Report reference:** PPP 18/09

### Summary:

This report sets out the amount of allowances paid to Members as part of the Elected Members' Allowances Scheme for 2008/09.

### Recommendations:

The Executive is asked to receive the report and note the overall under-spend of £10,790 on allowances for 2008/09.

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**Note:** in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers: None

## **ELECTED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES – OUTTURN 2008/09**

### **1. DETAILS**

- 1.1 Set out in the attached Appendix 1 are the amounts paid directly to individual Members as part of the Elected Members' Allowances Scheme for 2008/09 as required under paragraph 15 of the Local Authority (Members Allowances) (England) regulations 2003.
- 1.2 The detail in respect of Travel and Subsistence for Members collectively is provided in 1.8 overleaf.
- 1.3 The overall position is summarised as follows:

	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Outturn</b>	<b>Variance</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Basic Allowance	244,900	240,465	(4,435)
Special Responsibility allowance	92,100	85,887	(6,213)
Dependent Carers' Allowance	0	15	15
Co Opted Members' Allowance	0	764	764
Travel – General	17,700	17,802	102
Travel – Relating to Members' training	900	529	(371)
Subsistence General	2,100	1187	(913)
Subsistence – Relating to Members' training	0	261	261
<b>Total</b>	<b>357,700</b>	<b>346910</b>	<b>(10,790)</b>

- 1.4 There is an under-spend overall of £10,790. This is a change to recent years where there was an overspend each year. It is too early to determine whether or not this under-spend is to become a trend so there is no recommendation at this stage to review the budget for Members Allowances.
- 1.5 The Basic Allowance component is under-spent because budgets are allocated for a full year from April and there have been three periods during the year when there has been a Member vacancy.
- 1.6 The Special Responsibility Allowance component is under-spent for three reasons. Firstly because some committees did not sit until later in the year and therefore allowances were paid for part of the year only. Also because Members are only entitled to receive one Special Responsibility Allowance and therefore if they are in two positions that attract an allowance only one will be paid: this applies to one

Member and a saving is made as a result. Thirdly, also because one less Portfolio Holder was appointed than in the previous year.

- 1.7 There has been an under-spend in respect to Travel and Subsistence, despite there being overspends in Public Transport. This is because claims for mileage and in particular subsistence have come in well below the budget allocated, in a reversal of last year's situation. A reimbursement of overpaid VAT on mileage claims was received during the year and this has been credited back to this budget.

1.8 Details of Travel and Subsistence:

	<b>Budget £</b>	<b>Outturn £</b>
<b>Public Transport</b>		
Public transport costs in respect of attendance at committee meetings and other approved duties	2,100	3,154
Planning Site visits and other approved duties	600	895
MLDP* – Public Transport	0	0
Members' training - Executive group	200	0
Members' training - Labour group	300	2
Members' training - Conservative group	300	195
Members' training - Lib Dem group	100	261
	<b>3,600</b>	<b>4,462</b>
<b>Mileage Expenses</b>		
Mileage costs in respect of attendance at committee meetings and other approved duties	15,000	13,719
MLDP – Mileage	0	0
Members' training - Executive group	0	0
Members' training - Labour group	0	150
Members' training - Conservative group	0	0
Members' training - Lib Dem group	0	0
	<b>15,000</b>	<b>13,869</b>
<b>Subsistence Expenses</b>		
Subsistence costs in respect of attendance at committee meetings and other approved duties	3,900	1,202
MLDP – Subsistence	0	0
Members' training - Executive group	0	0
Members' training - Labour group	0	256
Members' training - Conservative group	0	5
Members' training - Lib Dem group	0	0
	<b>3,900</b>	<b>1,463</b>

## **2. CONSULTATION**

- 2.1 Consultation to Date:  
The Director of Corporate Services has considered this report.
- 2.2 Consultation proposed:  
None applicable

## **3. RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Executive is asked to receive the report and note the overall under-spend of £10,790 with the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2008/09.

## **4. IMPLICATIONS**

- Staffing/Resources – None
- Financial – Included in the report
- Legal – None
- Corporate – None
- Risk Management – None
- Equality Issues – None
- Environmental – None
- Crime and Disorder – None
- Impact on Customers – None

## MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SUMMARY 2008/09

## APPENDIX 1

Init	Surname	Basic	Became or ceased to be a councillor	SRA	Travel	Subsistence incl Accommodation
T	ALLISON	4,686.00		2,154.00	203.90	120.95
P	ATKINSON	4,686.00				
J R	BAINBRIDGE	4,686.00		3,734.16	47.70	
J	BELL	4,686.00				
R D	BLOXHAM	4,686.00		7,026.85	2,592.25	15.00
M W	BOADEN	4,686.00		4,314.00	347.50	131.84
M L	BOWMAN	4,686.00		6,459.00	1,339.08	
H M	BRADLEY	4,686.00				
D	CAPE	3,761.82	12/06/2008		93.90	114.98
N	CLARKE	4,686.00			142.00	99.00
M	CLARKE	4,295.50	01/05/2008			
J R	COLLIER	4,686.00		751.11	170.82	
J	DEVLIN	4,686.00			175.53	
B O	EARP	4,686.00		6,176.46	1,527.36	7.50
HDM	FARMER	4,686.00				
J P	FARMER	4,686.00		4,146.20	186.23	
S E	FISHER	3,514.50	18/12/2008		268.85	
J	GEDDES	4,686.00		554.41	735.30	8.99
A	GLENDINNING	4,686.00			87.10	
C W	GLOVER	4,686.00			137.18	
W J	GRAHAM	4,686.00			69.12	
A	HARID	4,686.00				
J D	HENDRY	4,686.00			1,951.84	368.01
K	HUNTER	3,703.45	15/01/2009			
J R	KNAPTON	4,686.00		4,596.54	1,478.30	
J	LAYDEN	4,295.50	01/05/2008		1,450.09	15.00
N J	LISHMAN	4,686.00				
O D	LUCKLEY	4,686.00		6,176.46	104.80	112.33
E A	MALLINSON	4,686.00		3,331.37		
J	MALLINSON	4,686.00		10,202.15	779.95	171.00
M J	MARTLEW	381.00	25/04/2008			
H F	MCDEVITT	4,686.00			16.90	
M R	MITCHELSON	4,686.00		17,235.00	3,307.79	171.00
D D	MORTON	4,686.00		1,083.00		
D H	PARSONS	4,686.00		4,314.00	1,031.95	40.25
L	PATRICK	4,686.00				15.40*
J I	PREST	381.00	30/04/2008	525.25	375.46	
A	QUILTER	4,686.00				
J B	REARDON	381.00	30/04/2008			
J	RIDDLE	4,686.00			87.10	15.30
F	ROBSON	4,295.50	01/05/2008			
C A	RUTHERFORD	4,686.00		1,051.51		
C W T	SCARBOROUGH	4,686.00			358.61	
J	SOUTHWARD	4,686.00				
A J	STEVENSON	4,686.00				
I	STOCKDALE	442.45	05/05/2008	102.19	52.83	
G C	STOTHARD	4,686.00				
M	STYTH	4,686.00			111.53	
J S	TOOTLE	4,686.00			104.30	112.33
S	TWEEDIE	4,686.00				
P	VASEY	4,686.00			112.89	
A	WARWICK	3,761.82	12/06/2008			
R	WARWICK	381.00	30/04/2008			
R	WATSON	4,686.00				
C F	WEBER	4,686.00				
J N	WEEDALL	4,686.00		870.47	238.30	17.24
D	WILSON	4,686.00				
CO OPTED MEMBERS		764.00		1,083.00	27.20	
T&S relating to site visits,					895.00	
Members' training and other						
approved duties **					167.95	0.00
		<b>241,228.54</b>		<b>85,887.13</b>	<b>20,776.61</b>	<b>1,536.12</b>

VAT recovered on above

2444.93

72.72

Cost to Carlisle City Council

18331.68

1463.40

\* DCA = Dependent Carers' Allowance

\*\* this expenditure cannot be identified at an individual level e.g coach hire