

Report to Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel

Agenda Item:
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Meeting Date: 3 June 2021
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Title: ELECTED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES - PROVISIONAL OUTTURN REPORT FOR 2020/21
Report of: CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND RESOURCES
Report Number: RD08/21

Purpose / Summary:

This report sets out the amount of allowances paid to Members as part of the Elected Members' Allowances Scheme for 2020/21.

Questions for / input required from Scrutiny:

Members are asked to scrutinise the outturn position for Members Allowances.

Recommendations:

Members of the Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel are asked to scrutinise this report.

Tracking

Executive:	2 June 2021
Scrutiny:	BTSP 3 June 2021
Council:	Not applicable

Report to Executive

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Recommendations:

The Executive is asked to receive the report and note the overall underspend of £20,535 on allowances for 2020/21.

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1. BACKGROUND

- 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 2020/21 as required under paragraph 15 of the Local Authority (Members Allowances) (England) regulations 2003.

2. PROPOSALS

- 2.1 The detail in respect of Travel and Subsistence for Members collectively is provided in paragraph 2.6.
- 2.2 The overall position is summarised as follows:

	Budget £	Outturn £	Variance £
Basic Allowance	191,000	185,049	(5,951)
Special Responsibility allowance	88,700	84,527	(4,173)
Dependent Carers' Allowance	0	0	0
Travel	8,700	189	(8,511)
Subsistence	1,900	0	(1,900)
Total	290,300	269,765	(20,535)

- 2.3 There is an underspend overall of £20,535.
- 2.4 The Basic Allowance budget is under-spent because budgets are allocated for a full year from April and there were vacancies on the Council for some part of the year.
- 2.5 The Special Responsibility Allowance budget is slightly under-spent. This is partly due to committees not sitting until later in the year and therefore allowances only being paid for part of the year. In addition, Members are only entitled to receive one Special Responsibility Allowance and therefore if they hold two positions that attract an allowance only one will be paid.

2.6 Details of Travel and Subsistence:

	Budget £	Outturn £
Public Transport		
• Public transport costs in respect of attendance at committee meetings and other approved duties	1,900	0
• Planning Site visits and other approved duties	1,000	0
	2,900	0
Mileage Expenses		
Mileage costs in respect of attendance at committee meetings and other approved duties	5,800	189
Subsistence Expenses		
Subsistence costs in respect of attendance at committee meetings and other approved duties	1,900	0

Please note that subsistence covers items such as:

- Accommodation
- Car parking charges
- Out of pocket expenses
- Meals

3. RISKS

3.1 There are no risks associated with the Members outturn report.

4. CONSULTATION

4.1 The report will be considered by Business and Transformation Scrutiny Panel on 3 June 2021.

5. CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 The Executive is asked to receive the report and note the overall under-spend of £20,535 with the Members' Allowances Scheme for 2020/21.

6. CONTRIBUTION TO THE CARLISLE PLAN PRIORITIES

6.1 Members allowances form part of the Council's revenue budget and there is a requirement to report the outturn against the budget as part of the overall Council outturn position.

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**Appendices
attached to report:**

Appendix 1 – Members' Allowances Summary 2020/21

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**

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL - As stated within the body of the Report, the details herein are required to be reported by virtue of Regulation 15 of the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

PROPERTY SERVICES – not applicable

FINANCE – Financial implications are contained within the main body of the report.

EQUALITY – not applicable

INFORMATION GOVERNANCE – not applicable

MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SUMMARY 2020/21

APPENDIX 1

Init	Surname	Basic	Became a councillor	Ceased to be a councillor	SRA	Travel	Subsistence	Notes
Ruth	Alcroft	4,887.00						
Trevor	Allison	4,887.00						
Louise	Atkinson	4,887.00						
James	Bainbridge	4,887.00			4,497.00			
Robert	Betton	4,887.00						
Pamela	Birks	4,887.00						
Jeffrey	Bomford	4,887.00			435.19			SRA ceased wef 05/05/20
Marilyn	Bowman	4,887.00			293.80			SRA wef 02/02/21
Lisa	Brown	4,887.00			4,497.00			
Nigel	Christian	4,887.00			6,735.00			
John	Collier	4,887.00						
Helen	Davison	4,887.00			345.68			SRA wef 11/12/20
John	Denholm	4,887.00						
Gareth	Ellis	4,887.00			11,229.00			
Chirstine	Finlayson	4,887.00						
Anne	Glendinning	4,887.00						
Colin	Glover	4,887.00			3,749.00			SRA reduced wef 01/08/20 due reduction in members
Stephen	Higgs	4,887.00			6,735.00			
Elizabeth	Mallinson	4,887.00			6,735.00			
John	Mallinson	4,887.00			17,967.00			
Ann	McKerrell	4,887.00						
Niall	McNulty	4,887.00		23/03/2021	503.35			SRA ceased wef 23/03/21
Keith	Meller	4,887.00			3,022.18			SRA wef 30/07/20
Michael	Mitchelson	4,887.00						
David	Morton	4,887.00						
Nigel	Nedved	4,887.00			6,735.00			
John	Paton	4,887.00			4,497.00			
Lucy	Patrick	4,887.00						
Christopher	Robinson	1,418.81		15/07/2020	109.16			SRA ceased wef 05/05/20
Fiona	Robson	4,887.00						
Calvin	Rodgers	2,811.34		28/10/2020				
David	Shepherd	4,887.00				189.20		Mileage for 2019/20 but paid in May 20
Lee	Sherriff	4,887.00						
Christopher John	Southward	4,887.00						
Valerie	Tarbit	4,887.00						
Les	Tickner	4,887.00						
Raymond	Tinnion	4,887.00			4,303.58			SRA wef 22/05/20
Jeanette	Whelan	4,887.00						
Jo-Anne	Williams	4,887.00			1,128.00			
STANDARDS COMMITTEE					1,010.04			
PLANNING VISITS								
	Sum:	185,049.15			84,526.98	189.20	0.00	

Note: subsistence covers items such as accommodation, car parking charges, out of pocket expenses and meals.