

**EXETER CITY COUNCIL****PROPOSED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2013/14**

|   | <b>2012/13</b> | <b>2013/14*</b> |      |
|---|----------------|-----------------|------|
|   | <b>£</b>       | <b>£</b>        |      |
| <b>Basic Allowance</b>  |                |                 |      |
| Payable to all Councillors  | 4,430          | 4,474           |      |
| <br>  |                |                 |      |
| <b>Special Responsibility Allowances**:-</b>  |                |                 |      |
| Leader (basic x 300%)   | 13,290         | 13,422          |      |
| Other Executive members with portfolios<br>(basic x 150%) (x 5)   | 6,645          | 6,711           | each |
| Other Executive members without portfolios (basic x 50%)<br>(x 2)   | 2,215          | 2,237           | each |
| Chairs of Scrutiny Committees (basic x 100%) (x 3)  | 4,430          | 4,474           | each |
| Chair of Planning Committee (basic x 100%)<br>(x 1)   | 4,430          | 4,474           |      |
| Chair of Licensing Committee (basic x 50%) (x 1)  | 2,215          | 2,237           |      |
| Chair of Standards Committee (basic x 25%)<br>(x 1)   | 1,108          | 1,119           |      |
| <br>  |                |                 |      |
| * <i>Incorporating a 1% increase proposed by the Independent Remuneration Panel payable with effect from 1 April 2013</i> |                |                 |      |
| ** <i>Any Member qualifying for more than one Special Responsibility Allowance is paid the higher allowance only</i>      |                |                 |      |
| <br>  |                |                 |      |
| <b>Lord Mayor's Expenses Allowance</b>  | 4,430          | 4,474           |      |
| <b>Deputy Lord Mayor's Expenses Allowance ***</b>   | 1,108          | 1,119           |      |
| *** <i>(25% of Lord Mayor's Expenses Allowance)</i>   |                |                 |      |

**Dependants' Carers' Allowance**

An allowance in line with the minimum wage (£6.19 per hour) plus an uplift of the standard rate of tax, increasing the hourly rate to £7.43 per hour for 2013/14, is payable to Councillors whilst on "approved duties", in accordance with the agreed scheme (please see over)

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## **Exeter City Council**

### **Dependants' Carers' Allowance Scheme**

An allowance of up to £7.43 per hour (pro rata for part of an hour), representing the minimum wage (£6.19 per hour in 2013/14) plus an uplift of the standard rate of tax, may be claimed in respect of expenses incurred by a Councillor when a carer for a dependant has been engaged to enable a councillor to carry out an approved duty.

A carer will be any responsible person who does not normally live with the councillor as part of that councillor's family.

An allowance will be payable if the dependant being cared for:

- is a child under the age of 14
- is an elderly person; or
- has a recognised physical or mental disability

who normally lives with the councillor as part of that councillor's family and should not be left unsupervised.

Qualifying duties are defined as meetings of the Council, its Committees and Sub-Committees, training events, briefings and such other duties as are specified by the relevant regulations\*.

For meetings or duties within the Council's boundaries, the allowance will be paid for the duration of the meeting or otherwise approved duty plus an allowance for up to one hour's total travelling time before and after the meeting.

The actual cost of care will be reimbursed, up to a maximum of £7.43 per hour.

This allowance will be updated annually in line with the minimum wage and an additional uplift of the standard rate of tax.

*\*Payment of allowance will be made under the powers of Section 100 of the Local Government Act 2000 and Section 7 of Part 2 of the Local Authorities (Members Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.*

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