EXETER CITY COUNCIL

PROPOSED MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2014/15

	2013/14* £	2014/15 £	
Basic Allowance		-	
Payable to all Councillors	4,474	4,474	
Special Responsibility Allowances**:-			
Leader (basic x 300%)	13,422	13,422	
Other Executive members with portfolios (basic x 150%) (x 5)	6,711	6,711	each
Other Executive members without portfolios (basic x 50%) (x 2)	2,237	2,237	each
Chairs of Scrutiny Committees (basic x 100%) (x 3)	4,474	4,474	each
Chair of Planning Committee (basic x 100%) (x 1)	4,474	4,474	
Chair of Licensing Committee (basic x 50%) (x 1)	2,237	2,237	
Chair of Standards Committee (basic x 25%) (x 1)	1,119	1,119	

- * Incorporating a 1% increase proposed by the Independent Remuneration Panel payable with effect from 1 April 2013
- ** Any Member qualifying for more than one Special Responsibility Allowance is paid the higher allowance only

Lord Mayor's Expenses Allowance	4,474	4,474
Deputy Lord Mayor's Expenses Allowance ***	1,119	1,119
*** (25% of Lord Mayor's Expenses Allowance)		

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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 £9.19 per hour.

This allowance will be updated in line with the Living Wage adopted by the City council 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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