

## MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2024/25

	<b>2023/24 Current Allowance</b>	<b>2024/25 Proposed Allowance +4%</b>
<b>Basic Allowance</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
All Members	6,537	6,798
<b>*Special Responsibility Allowances:-</b>		
Leader (basic x 325%)	21,245	22,095
Other Executive Members with Portfolios (Basic x 175%) (x up to 9)	11,439	11,897
Executive Member without Portfolio (if appointed)	1,634	1,699
Chairs of Scrutiny Committees (basic x 100%) (x 2)	6,537	6,798
Deputy Chair of Scrutiny Committee(basic x 50%)(x 2)	3,268	3,399
Chair of Planning Committee (basic x 100%) (x 1)	6,537	6,798
Deputy Chair of Planning Committee (basic x 50%) (x1)	3,268	3,399
Chair of Licensing Committee (basic x 75%) (x 1)	4,902	5,098
Chair of Audit and Governance Committee (basic x 50%) (x 1)	3,268	3,399
Chair of Council Housing and Development Advisory Board (basic x 50%) (x1) from the HRA	3,268	3,399
Chair of Harbour Board (basic x 25%) (x 1)	1,634	1,699
<i>Chair of Scrutiny Programme Board (basic x 25%) (x 1)</i>	-	1,699
Member Champions (basic x 25%) (x2)	1,634	1,699
* <i>Any Member qualifying for more than one Special Responsibility Allowance is paid the higher allowance only</i>		
** <i>The Leader of an Opposition group will receive an allowance based on the size of the political group, ranging from 20% to 60% of the size of the Group (See scheme on web site)</i>		
Lord Mayor's Expenses Allowances	6,537	6798
Deputy Lord Mayor Mayor's Allowances	1,634.	1,699

### **Travel and expenses**

To match those payable to officers of the Council for any approved duties undertaken, with travel expenses being paid for any journeys undertaken outside of the city boundaries.

## Dependants' Carers' Allowance Scheme

An allowance towards the care of Dependants will be made available matching Exeter City Council's hourly Living Wage as applicable from April of each year (together with the retention of the uplift of the standard rate of income tax), may be claimed in respect of expenses incurred by a Councillor when a carer for a dependent has been engaged to enable a councillor to carry out an approved duty.

In the case of Members who need specialist care for a child or adult dependant, a higher rate, of up to £25 per hour or part thereof, (together with the retention of the uplift of the standard rate of income tax) can be agreed by negotiation in advance with the Democratic Services Manager; may be claimed in respect of expenses incurred by a Councillor when a carer for a dependent 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.

*\*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.*