

PUBLIC NOTICE
MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL
COUNCILLORS' ALLOWANCES - SCHEME OF ALLOWANCES
FOR THE REMUNERATION OF COUNCILLORS IN THE
BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES

This Notice is published in accordance with Regulation 16(1) of the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

The Council, on 20 January 2021, agreed to re-adopt its scheme of Councillors' Allowances for the year 2021/22 and, in doing so, gave due regard to the recommendations made by the report of the Independent Panel on the Remuneration of Councillors 2018.

The scheme will apply from 1 April 2021, unless amended or revoked, until 31 March 2022.

Details of the Council's Scheme for Councillors' Allowances and the Independent Remuneration Panel report can be found on this web page, or may be inspected at the Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3EJ, during normal opening hours.

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25 March 2021

The Council's Scheme of Allowances 2021/22

The Basic, Special Responsibility and Civic allowances payable to Councillors have not been increased by 2% compared to those paid in 2020/21 (as provided for by the scheme), by resolution of Council. The Dependent Carer's Allowance, which is indexed linked to the minimum wage, has been increased in line with the increase in the minimum wage. No other changes have been made to the scheme.

The main elements of the scheme are the payment of a Basic Allowance of £10,924 per annum to each of the 57 Members of the Council and the payment of Responsibility Allowances to certain Councillors who have been appointed to particular offices by the Council:

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Leader of the Council	31,836
Deputy Leader of the Council	15,918
Leaders of the Opposition Groups	658*
Cabinet Member	9,809
Chair, Scrutiny Management Committee	7,959
Chair, Scrutiny Committee	4,776
Chair of Task & Finish Groups (pro-rata for duration of work)	4,776
Chair, Development Control Committee	8,489
Chair, Licensing & Regulatory Committees (one person)	8,489
Chair, Audit Committee	5,836
Chair, Standards Committee	3,183

*per Group Member

Travel and subsistence will be paid at the rates agreed by the National Joint Council for the reimbursement of Council officers.

Special Responsibility Allowances are not cumulative. If more than one position attracting a Special Responsibility Allowance is held, only the highest applicable allowance will be paid.

In addition, £640 per annum is paid to the co-opted members on the Audit and Children and Young People Scrutiny.

Allowance and Expenses Payments made in 2020/21

The Council is required to make available the amounts paid to each Councillor in respect of basic, Special Responsibility and Carer's Allowances for the previous year (2020/21).

A record of the allowances paid to Councillors during 2020/21 will be available for inspection at the Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3EJ and on the Council's website after 1 August 2021:

<https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/your-council-and-elections/councillors-and-committees/councillors-allowances>