

Essex County Council
Member Allowances 2016/17

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Introduction

Allowances paid to members of Essex County Council are governed by the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

These regulations require the County Council to make a scheme which provides for the payment of an allowance in respect of each year to each member of the authority. This is known as the Basic Allowance.

The regulations also say that the scheme may provide for the payment of a Special Responsibility Allowance ('SRA') to members who have allocated to them special responsibilities as defined in the Members Allowance Scheme.

Finally, the regulations also say that the scheme may provide for payment of a Carer's Allowance, a Co-Optees Allowance and a Travel and Subsistence Allowance which may be claimed for expenses when undertaking duties approved by the Council.

The County Council has adopted a Members Allowance Scheme which allows for all of these types of allowances to be paid in certain circumstances – as set out in the scheme. [The Scheme is published on the County Council's website as part of the constitution.](#)

When making or amending a scheme of allowances the Council must have regard to recommendations made to it by an Independent Remuneration Panel. The most recent recommendations of the panel were made in June 2015.

The Council is required to maintain records of all allowances paid to its members and, at the end of each year, to publish the total sum paid to each member in respect of each of the above types of allowance.

Accordingly, the amount of allowances paid to each member of the County Council with respect to the period 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 are shown in the table at the end of this report.

It should be noted that:

- Entitlement to a Special Responsibility Allowance varies according to role and may change during the year.
- Some members voluntarily forego part or all of the allowances to which they are entitled. For example, some members have taken a voluntary 3% reduction in their Special Responsibility Allowance. More details are provided in the table.

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First Name	Last Name	Basic Allowance*	Special Responsibility Allowance**	Mileage & Parking	Fares	Subsistence	Carers Allowance	Total Allowances and Expenses 2016/17
James	Abbott	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
John	Aldridge	11,955.00	20,438.71	55.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	32,449.21
William	Archibald***	39.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.40
Barry	Aspinell	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Susan	Barker	11,955.00	12,000.00	1,595.05	57.50	0.00	0.00	25,607.55
Rodney	Bass	11,500.00	24,433.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,933.20
Alan	Bayley	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Kevin	Bentley	11,454.96	38,921.28	4,819.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	55,195.54
Dave	Blackwell	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00
Keith	Bobbin	12,000.00	0.00	2,025.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,025.45
Robert	Boyce	12,000.00	13,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,500.00
Anne	Brown	11,500.00	34,250.76	4,330.20	26.25	0.00	0.00	50,107.21
Malcolm	Buckley	11,955.00	12,000.00	240.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,195.30
Graham	Butland	11,500.00	34,249.92	1,548.40	127.70	0.00	0.00	47,426.02
Stephen	Canning	11,955.00	21,236.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,191.92
Jenny	Chandler	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00
Penelope	Channer	12,000.00	12,000.00	1,805.15	225.00	0.00	0.00	26,030.15
Karen	Clempner	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Terry	Cutmore	12,000.00	13,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,500.00
Michael	Danvers	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Jude	Deakin	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Tony	Durcan	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Mark	Ellis	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Andrew	Erskine	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00
Frank	Ferguson****	9,690.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,690.41
David	Finch	11,500.00	51,894.96	4,965.65	156.74	0.00	0.00	68,517.35
Margaret	Fisher	12,000.00	0.00	575.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,575.55
Ricki	Gadsby	11,955.00	10,709.68	1,376.30	22.00	0.00	0.00	24,062.98

Keith	Gibbs	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Alan	Goggin	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00	
Raymond	Gooding	11,500.00	34,250.76	4,340.90	185.20	0.00	0.00	50,276.86	
Ian	Grundy	12,000.00	13,500.00	74.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,574.70	
Giancarlo	Guglielmi	11,955.00	0.00	1,048.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,003.95	
Dave	Harris	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Anthony	Hedley	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Ivan	Henderson	12,000.00	900.00	171.00	827.00	0.00	0.00	13,898.00	
Theresa	Higgins	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Roger	Hirst	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Paul	Honeywood	11,955.00	0.00	261.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,216.45	
Ray	Howard	11,955.00	11,625.00	2,349.45	9.80	0.00	0.00	25,939.25	
Michael	Hoy	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Norman	Hume	11,955.00	2,380.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,335.65	
Jamie	Huntman	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Anthony	Jackson	11,955.00	12,000.00	1,585.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,540.80	
Edward	Johnson	11,500.00	34,250.76	1,906.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	47,656.96	
John	Jowers	11,955.00	9,638.71	1,221.30	77.70	0.00	0.00	22,892.71	
David	Kendall	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
John	Knapman	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00	
Nigel	Le Gresley	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00	
Sue	Lissimore	11,955.00	12,000.00	1,624.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,579.50	
John	Lodge	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00	
Derrick	Louis	12,000.00	12,048.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,048.39	
Michael	Mackrory	12,000.00	15,101.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,101.86	
Richard	Madden	11,500.00	34,250.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45,750.76	
Malcolm	Maddocks	11,955.00	12,000.00	2,349.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,304.85	
Maggie	McEwen	12,000.00	0.00	130.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,130.95	
Melissa	McGeorge	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00	
Valerie	Metcalfe	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00	
Ann	Naylor	12,000.00	0.00	170.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,170.55	

Patricia	Newton	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00
Michael	Page	12,000.00	12,000.00	3,690.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,690.45
Joe	Pike***	8,131.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,131.51
Christopher	Pond	12,000.00	0.00	305.55	240.30	0.00	0.00	12,545.85
Jillian	Reeves	11,955.00	15,909.67	739.80	35.20	0.00	0.00	28,639.67
Stephen	Robinson	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Colin	Sargeant****	11,887.67	0.00	19.80	484.45	0.00	0.00	12,391.92
Colin	Seagers	11,955.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,955.00
Kerry	Smith	11,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,500.00
John	Spence	11,454.96	34,250.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45,705.72
Anne	Turrell	12,000.00	0.00	498.15	38.10	0.00	0.00	12,536.25
Kay	Twitchen	11,955.00	12,000.00	1,633.45	90.00	28.00	0.00	25,706.45
Simon	Walsh	12,000.00	32,309.72	3,279.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	47,589.57
Roger	Walters	12,000.00	0.00	117.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,117.45
Jon	Whitehouse	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Andrew	Wood	11,454.96	0.00	3,503.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,958.66
Julie	Young	12,000.00	1,487.90	298.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,786.25
Norman	Hodson*****	500.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.04
Jon	Swan*****	500.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.04
		887,988.95	611,040.37	54,659.00	2,602.94	28.00	0.00	1,556,319.26

* Some members decided to take a reduced basic allowance either because they declined an increase in basic allowance payable from January 2016 or because they have taken a £45 reduction in allowance for in exchange meals provided at County Hall on the 5 full Council days.

** Entitlement to a Special Responsibility Allowance varies according to role and may change during the year. Additionally, some members have taken a voluntary 3% reduction in their Special Responsibility Allowance and some members have declined an increase in special responsibility allowance payable from January 2016.

*** Councillor Archibald died on 06/04/2016 and Councillor Pike died on 04/12/2017

**** Councillor Ferguson was elected on 09/06/2016 and Councillor Sargeant was elected on 04/04/2017

***** Basic Allowance paid to Mr N Hodson and Mr J Swan who are independent persons appointed under the Localism Act 2011 to advise on standards matters.