



BOUGHTON UNDER BLEAN PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors Allowance Policy

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INTRODUCTION

A local council may pay a basic allowance each year to its Chairman only or to each of its elected Councillors (but not to Councillors who have been co-opted). The amount payable to the Chairman may differ from that of other members but otherwise shall be the same for each member.

Boughton under Blean Parish Council notes and recognises the time commitment of Councillors as well as the many incidental costs they incur in carrying out council duties. Such incidental expenses include:-

- the use of their homes
- telephone calls from home landlines and mobile phones
- stationary, printing and IT costs
- use of car, motorcycle or bicycle
- cost of care for dependants whilst fulfilling duties

PARISH COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES

Recommendations for Parish Council Allowances for the Borough of Swale are set as follows under *The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003*:

- Chairman's Allowance (Chairman of Parish Council) - a maximum of 10% of Swale Borough Council's Basic Allowance.
- Basic Allowance (All other Parish Councillors) - a maximum of 5% of Swale Borough Council's Basic Allowance.

A member may choose to receive all or part of a basic allowance and if required should do so by submitting this request in writing to the Clerk. The allowance is paid quarterly in arrears.