

Councillors Allowances 2023 -2024

Basic Allowance

The Local Authorities (Members Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 Statutory Instrument 2003 No. 1021 state the basic allowance recommended by a Parish Independent Remuneration Panel can be for any amount up to 100 per cent of the basic allowance paid by Winchester City Council.

The Independent Remuneration Panel therefore recommends that those parishes who feel that a basic allowance would be appropriate should be able to pay an amount up to 5% of the Basic Allowance of Winchester City Council.

The Basic Allowance for the Council for 2018/19 is £5,580; 5% of this is **£279 per annum. This should in accordance with the statutory regulations only be paid to Members who are elected not those co-opted. Indexation may apply to this figure.**

Chairman's Allowance.

The Panel felt that any decision regarding the payment of a Chairman's Allowance should be left entirely to the discretion of individual parish councils, taking into account local circumstances.

The Panel therefore recommends the Chairman's Allowance should be up to 10% of the City Council Basic Allowance. This equates to a Parish Council Chairman allowance of up to £558 per annum. Indexation may apply to this figure.

Indexation of Allowances

The indexation of the allowances paid to Members of the parish and town councils should be in accordance with the indexation applied to Members Allowances at the City Council. The agreed approach to indexation is in line with City Councils annual staff salary increase when applicable.

Forgoing Allowances.

A parish/town councillor may choose not to receive all or part of any allowance to which they would otherwise be entitled. To do so they must give written notice to the proper officer of the parish/town council.

For 2023-2024, while giving regard to the recommendation of the parish remuneration panel, Bishop's Waltham Parish Council agreed to pay £120 Basic Allowance and £500 Chairman's Allowance.

Annual Allowance - Councillors	£	Annual Allowance - Chairman	£
Cllr P Wilson	£120	Cllr J Marsh	£250