

Essex County Council
Member Allowances 2019/20

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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 of allowances 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-optee's 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 due to each member of the County Council with respect to the period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020 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. Other factors can also affect the amount paid. The details of such variations, if any, are provided in the table.

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Ivan	Henderson	12,000.00	0.00	375.30	703.35	0.00	0.00	13,078.65
Jeff	Henry	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,000.00
Stephen	Hillier	12,000.00	0.00	384.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,384.75
Norman	Hodson ²	500.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.04
Paul	Honeywood	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Anthony	Jackson	12,000.00	12,000.00	867.45	10.50	0.00	0.00	24,877.95
Edward	Johnson	12,000.00	10,800.00	989.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,789.55
John	Jowers	12,000.00	21,600.00	1,461.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,061.20
David	Kendall	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Sue	Lissimore ³	11,499.96	0.00	62.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,562.71
Derrick	Louis	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
July	Lumley	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Michael	Mackrory	12,000.00	16,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28,200.00
Richard	Madden	12,000.00	36,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00
Malcolm	Maddocks	12,000.00	1,669.35	1,107.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,777.25
Robert	Massey	12,000.00	0.00	474.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,474.75
Peter	May	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Maggie	McEwen	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Louise	McKinlay	12,000.00	36,000.00	2,030.55	40.90	0.00	7,426.79	57,498.24
Valerie	Metcalfe	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Robert	Mitchell	12,000.00	12,000.00	455.40	407.10	0.00	0.00	24,862.50
Gagan	Mohindra ³	9,000.00	27,000.00	1,119.90	137.10	0.00	0.00	37,257.00
Richard	Moore	12,000.00	0.00	414.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,414.00
John	Moran	12,000.00	0.00	2,254.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,254.50
Mark	Platt	12,000.00	10,548.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,548.39
Christopher	Pond	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	676.20	0.00	0.00	12,676.20
Ronald	Pratt	12,000.00	0.00	822.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,822.60
Jillian	Reeves	12,000.00	16,200.00	756.00	8.10	0.00	0.00	28,964.10
Patricia	Reid	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Stephen	Robinson	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	30.90	0.00	0.00	12,030.90
Colin	Sargeant ⁴	4,558.90	0.00	193.95	202.65	0.00	0.00	4,955.50
Jean	Schmitt	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Lee	Scordis	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Andrew	Sheldon	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,000.00
Kerry	Smith	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Clive	Souter	12,000.00	0.00	510.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,510.30
John	Spence	12,000.00	36,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,000.00

Mark	Stephenson ⁵	5,920.55	0.00	0.00	195.20	0.00	0.00	6,115.75
Michael	Steptoe	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,000.00
Jonathan	Swan ²	500.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.04
Anne	Turrell	12,000.00	0.00	594.75	97.50	0.00	0.00	12,692.25
Lesley	Wagland	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,000.00
Simon	Walsh	12,000.00	36,000.00	3,077.45	231.40	0.00	0.00	51,308.85
Carole	Weston	12,000.00	0.00	254.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,254.70
Christopher	Whitbread	12,000.00	12,000.00	1,068.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	25,068.30
Andrew	Wood	12,000.00	0.00	1,503.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,503.70
Julie	Young	12,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Totals		£895,979.49	£620,029.84	£51,109.65	£3,790.25	£35.10	£7,426.79	£1,578,371.12

Note 1: 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 continued to decline an increase in special responsibility allowance payable from January 2016.

Note 2: 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.

Note 3: Member who elected to forgoe some of their Basic Allowance.

Note 4: Councillor Sargeant (Clacton East) resigned 17 August 2019.

Note 5: Councillor Stephenson (Clacton East) was elected 4 October 2019