

Members' Allowances for 2026/27 Financial Year

At the full Council meeting on 16th July 2025, allowances for the 2026/27 financial year were considered. The last Independent Remuneration Panel's (IRP) Report dated November 2023 and approved by Lewes District Council Full Council on 19th February 2024 and recommendations regarding Councillor allowances were taken into account.

It was resolved that:-

- the members allowance for 2026/27 remain unaltered at £300 for elected Councillors only.
- the Chair's allowance remain unaltered at £500, for an elected Councillor only.
- that no indexation in line with annual staff salary increases be applied to Councillor allowances.
- that payment of the allowance is made in one lump sum at year end in March.
- that Councillors be paid travel and subsistence costs in line with those agreed as part of the members allowance schedule for the District Council when travelling out of the Council area to visit another Council or attend conferences or seminars.

A Councillor may choose not to receive all or part of any allowance to which they would otherwise be entitled to.