

## MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME - 2003/04

The Members' Allowances Scheme was approved by Council on 8th March, 2002. Allowances have been updated in line with the annual N.J.C. for Local Government Services pay award.

- Basic Allowance per Member £5,827.
- A scheme of Special Responsibility Allowances with five bands be established with the post of Leader of the Council in Band 1 with a Special Responsibility Allowance of £25,875 per annum, and other offices assigned to Bands and remunerated at set proportions of the Leaders rate as shown below:

Band 2	Cabinet Members, Chairman of Strategic Monitoring Committee	£10,350
Band 3	Chairman of Council, Deputy Leader, Chairmen of: Planning Committee & Scrutiny Committees	£7,762
Band 4	V-Chairman of Council, Chairman of Regulatory Committee, Chairmen of Planning Sub-Committees, Group Leaders	£1,294
Band 5	Chairmen of Local Area Forums	£517

- That in addition to the flat rate Group Leader's Allowance of £1,294, there should be a payment of £114 per member of the Group to reflect the different level of responsibility dependent on the size of the group.
- That Special Responsibility Allowance should be in addition to Basic Allowance.
- That, with the exception of Group Leaders Allowance, only one Special Responsibility Allowance should be payable per Member.
- That a Childcare and Dependant Carers Scheme be established payable for eligible duties where costs are incurred in the care of children aged 16 or under and in respect of other dependants where there is medical or social work evidence that care is required, and where the work claimed for has been undertaken by persons other than family members resident in the household; with all claims evidenced by receipts and maximum hourly rates of £5.18 for childcare and £10.35 for the care of other dependants.