



Withyham Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr Mrs D L Kelly

Clerk: Mrs Deborah Siddle
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REPORT OF THE PARISH REMUNERATION PANEL

Withyham Parish Council has received a report by the Wealden Parish Remuneration Panel on Town and Parish Councillor Allowances for 2022/23, under the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

The main features of the Panel's recommendations are:

- a) That allowances should be paid in accordance with three bands, Levels 1 to 3 [Withyham Parish Council is Level 1]
- b) That there be a 3% increase to all Basic and Chairman's Allowances rounded to the nearest pound.

2020/21	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
Basic Allowance	£180	£447	£1,426
Chairman's Allowance	£312	£702	£1,969

- c) That the policy to fix Travelling Allowances in line with HM Revenue & Customs 'Approved Mileage Allowance Payment' rates be re-affirmed;
- d) That the Subsistence rates for 2023/24 be amended to increase the evening meal allowance and remove reference to the tea allowance;
- e) That the recommendations set out above are all proposed for implementation at the commencement of the financial year 2023/24. However, Town and Parish Councils can choose the extent to which they wish to implement these allowances; and
- f) The Panel notes with regret that it is still not possible under the current legislation to recommend a Carers' Allowance for Parish/ Town Councillors

Withyham Parish Council will consider the report's recommendations at its Council meeting of 9th January 2023.

A copy of the Panel's report is available for inspection and can be provided on reasonable notice by contacting the Clerk using the details below in accordance with Regulation 28.

Deborah Siddle, Clerk
20th December 2022

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