

Questionnaire – Members Allowances 2015

Q5 - Travel Allowance - Please give your views on the Travel Allowance?

Answered: 18 Skipped: 4

1	I disagree with travel allowance to and from meetings, the allowance given to members should be taken into account.
2	Personally I wouldnt claim this, as I believe this is part of the allowance figure previously discussed, however as before this could have a major effect on a non car owner/single mum/ unemployed/retired member when travel expenses could eat up the normal allowance.
3	The current level of payment is fair for travel and subsistence to outside venues. However, HMRC now tax travel payments to BDC. This will require current expenses forms to differentiate between taxable and non taxable mileage claims. In turn this will require more work for our staff in the checking and finance departments. I propose that mileage payments to BDC should be scrapped and basic and responsibility allowances should be increased by 2%. Those living the furthest away will be slightly worse off but, going by last year's claims, not everyone claims anyway
4	I could not attend the committees if I relied on public transport hence I use a car the price per mile should be in line with the national average
5	Could allowances to members be increased to cover this allowance
6	No answer
7	No answer
8	No change
9	the rate seems about right
10	It should not be subject to taxation. Councillors have very mixed and varied duties with significant time invested at their homes in Council business, therefore as per the Private Sector and HMRC guidelines, travel from the primary point of work (home) on company business is free of taxation All travel undertaken by Members on behalf of their electorate or the Council should be reimbursed to encourage maximum Member activity
11	Travel allowances should be given as a lump sum dependent on area that you represent. Only claim for train fares.

12	Travel expenses rates agreed however it would only be for travel away from Narborough BDC offices. Work or home to BDC travel should not be reimbursed. The latter I believe is covered in the basic allowance. "Employers" do not normally pay for travel to a place of "work".
13	Payments should be made for home to bed business
14	I personally do not put in for this, I do not think you should claim for this, it should be just part of the basic allowance
15	The current travel arrangements as set out in the NJC regulations/rates and which are reviewed regularly appear very fair and acceptable
16	Seems reasonable
17	I agree with this
18	Appropriate