Questionnaire - Members Allowances 2015

Q7 - Additional Information - Please use this space to comment on any other aspect of Allowances that you would like the Independent Remuneration Panel to consider.

Answered: 15 Skipped: 7

1	None
2	None
3	Could the allowances be such that the majority of subsistence and travel be included
4	No answer
5	No answer
6	No change
7	no further comments
8	It would seem imperative to me that the role of Councillor is positioned to encourage more expertise and more skills and with those, more ability to commit time to the role, to ensure the best performance of Councils it will become more and more essential that the role of Councillor can be seen as a Career Choice and that will never happen whilst the role is effectively a voluntary role and the basic allowance is set out to cover basic administration costs, not time. How much more effective would councils be if Elected Members were largely or all highly trained, highly experienced business people or professionals
9	Councillors are doing more work and are under pressure to make prudent decisions. The basic allowance does not fully reflect the cost and work involved
10	None thank you.
11	N/A
12	If other committee membership is linked to compulsory training eg planning committee, the panel should look to award an allowance for attendance
13	No further comments
14	I do not understand why other committee attendances over and above full council should not incur some compensation if the regulatory committee does
15	None