# Elected Members Allowances Policy



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## **Purpose**

To determine the method and timing of payment of Elected Members allowances in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* (WA).

## **Policy Statement**

Elected Members including the Deputy Mayor shall be paid an annual attendance fee in accordance with the maximum amounts determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal. The Mayor shall be paid an annual attendance fee in accordance with the maximum amounts determined by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal.

The Mayor and Deputy Mayor shall be paid an annual allowance as established in Council's Annual Budget in accordance with the determination by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal.

Elected Members including the Mayor and Deputy Mayor shall be paid an ICT allowance of \$3,400.

Reimbursement of Elected Members expenses in excess of the annual allowances made under this policy are required to be substantiated by the claimant through the production of receipts or the keeping of a log book before such claims are paid.

The attendance fees and the ICT allowance are to:

- Be paid on a monthly basis.
- Generally, be paid in arrears on the first day of the month.
- Be calculated on a daily pro rata basis.

The taxation liability arising from these payments is the individual responsibility of each Elected Member.

The City will provide an annual payment summary to each Elected Member for the preceding financial year by the end of July each year.

#### **Definitions**

"ICT expenses" means



- 1. Rental charges in relation to one telephone and one facsimile machine, as prescribed by regulation 31(1)(a) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*; or
- 2. Any other expenses that relate to information and communications technology (for example, telephone call charges and internet service provider fees) and that are a kind of expense prescribed by regulation 32(1) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*.

# **Related Legislation**

Local Government Act 1995

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

Salaries and Allowances Tribunal Annual Determination

### **Related Documentation**

Nil

## **Relevant Delegations**

Risk Evaluation	
Council Adoption	28 June 2005
Review/Modified	23 April 2006
Review/Modified	June 2007
Review/Modified	1 March 2012
Review/Modified	25 June 2013
Review/Modified	15 December 2015
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