

Association of Schools
Collett, FHEC, St Luke's
Policies, Guidance and Procedures



Governor Allowances (Schemes for paying)

Date established by governing body: 9 December 2014

Reviewed 10 March 2017

Review by 1 September 2019

Status: Statutory (unless the governing body has elected not to pay expenses) for maintained schools.

Purpose

The governing body plays a key role in the leadership and management of the school. We value governors' contribution and the fact that they give their time voluntarily. Individual governors should not be deterred from playing their full part because of incidental costs.

Equality impact

This is referenced to the school's General Duty on equality, and should help to ensure that financial constraints do not prevent eligible individuals from becoming governors.

Roles and responsibilities of governors

The Education (Governors Allowances) Regulations 2003 allow maintained schools to extend their schemes for paying governors' expenses from the school's delegated budget. At the full governing body meeting held on 11/12/13 it was agreed that the following expenses could be claimed from: January 2014. This arrangement remains from the review in 2017.

- care arrangements for a dependent at a rate of £9 per hour
- support for governors with special educational needs (e.g. audio equipment)
- support for governors whose first language is not English (translations)
- car travel at 40p per mile
- other travel

Claims should be submitted to the clerk to the governors who will check and authorise claims for £50 or less. Claims for more than £50 will be checked by the clerk and authorised for payment by the Headteacher.

Arrangements for monitoring and evaluation

The governing body will monitor and evaluate the impact of the policy annually with reference to the attendance records of governors at meetings and to the total sum paid out.