**DOVER TOWN COUNCIL**

**PARISH BASIC ALLOWANCE**

**PARISH TRAVEL AND SUSBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE**

* Dover Town council has received the report of the East Kent Joint Parish Independent Remuneration Panel (dated March 2015). The report applies to the years 2015/16 to 2018/19 inclusive.
* Parish basic Allowance is intended to recognise the time commitment of Councillors and to cover incidental costs such as the use of their homes/telephones. It is the view of the Panel that there should be no opportunity for financial gain in the level of Parish Basic Allowance recommended.
* The Panel recommends the following:
  + That the amount of Parish basic Allowance payable to Councillors be £600 and indexed linked to the Clerk to the Council’s Pay award.
  + That the amount of Chairman’s Basic Allowance payable to the Chairman of the Council be £1200 and indexed linked to the Clerk to the Council’s Pay award
  + That the amount of travel and subsistence allowance payable to Councillors for duties outside the Town boundary be set at the HM Revenue and Customs Approved Mileage Allowance Payments Scheme.
  + That travel and subsistence allowance not be paid in respect of duties within the Town Boundary
  + That consideration be given to the time limits within which claims may be submitted under the travel and subsistence allowance scheme.
* A copy of the Panel’s report is available for inspection on the Dover Town Council website [www.dovertowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.dovertowncouncil.gov.uk)
* This notice is placed in accordance with Regulation 30 of the Local Authorities (Members Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003

Dated 2 August 2016