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Your reference

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Dear Mr Fletcher

Information Request

With reference to your email dated 18 February 2018 in which you are seeking the following information:

- 1. Please provide the names of any and all elected Councillors who expressly refuse to accept an increase in their Councillor Allowances for the years 2010/2011 through to 2017/2018 inclusive compared with the amount paid to them in 2009/2010, and where their allowance paid is adjusted to account for them receiving the allowance rate applicable in the year 2009/2010.
- 2. So as to confine this request to below the '18 hours work level' for FOI requests, it may simplify matters if you provide details of any and all Councillors who claim only the basic allowance rate that was payable in the year 2009/2010, and not the applicable rate ongoing for the year 2017/2018.

Information about Members allowances and payments received by Members are published annually on the County Council's website. An archive of previous Members Allowances Schemes can payments is also available on the website.

Members Allowances Schemes are determined by the full Council and the minutes of the full Council meetings are also available on our website.

Where requested information is already reasonably accessible, s21 Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)/ Regulation 6(1)(b) permits public authorities to direct requestors to where the information is held.

Barbara Beardwell MA Solicitor

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Chief Executive

The information that you have requested is published on Hampshire County Council's website. The following links provide the information you have requested. Members' Allowances Scheme 2017/18. Members' Allowances Scheme 2017/18.

http://democracy.hants.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=620&Mld=3642&Ver=4&Info=1 – see Section 4.5 "Archived Members' allowances and payments to Members".

http://democracy.hants.gov.uk/mgCalendarMonthView.aspx?GL=1&bcr=1

S21 FOIA is an absolute exemption and does not require consideration of the public interest test.

Yours sincerely

Amanda Godridge

Senior Information Governance Officer

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner at the following address. Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.