

COMPARISON OF THE MEMBERS' ALLOWANCE SCHEME 2023-24 AGAINST OTHER KENT AUTHORITIES

APPENDIX 3

| Authority | Basic Allowance | Leader's Allowance | Deputy Leader | Cabinet Member Allowance | Scrutiny Chairman | Planning Committee Chairman | Governance Committee Chairman ¹ | Main Opposition Leader |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Dover | 5,000.00 | 18,000.00 | 9,000.00 | 6,750.00 | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 | 5,061.00 |
| Ashford | 5,286.79 | 17,294.19 | 11,529.46 | 8,647.10 | 6,917.68 | 6,917.68 | 5,764.73 | 253.12 per member |
| Canterbury | 6,476.36 | 21,964.40 | 6,708.34 | 5,409.95 | 4,868.96 | 4,868.96 | 1,081.99 | 162.30 per member |
| Dartford | 5,439.00 | 34,082.00 | 18,177.00 | 9,089.00 | 2,272.00 | 5,453.00 | 2,272.00 | 255.00 per member |
| Folkestone & Hythe | 5,727.00 | 25,192.00 | 12,597.00 | 11,452.00 | 6,585.00 | 6,585.00 | 6,585.00 | 8,590.00 |
| Gravesham | 5,613.00 | 25,270.00 | 11,880.00 | 7,960.00 | 4,190.00 | 5,910.00 | 3,480.00 | 5,613.00 |
| Maidstone | 5,759.18 | 23,036.72 | 13,822.03 | 11,518.36 | 8,062.85 | 9,214.69 | 4,607.34 | 2,303.67 |
| Sevenoaks | 6,044.00 | 22,114.00 | 13,269.00 | 7,741.00 | 2,765.00 | 5,529.00 | 2,765.00 | 298.00 per member |
| Swale² | 6,786.00 | 16,965.00 | 8,483.00 | n/a | n/a | 6,786.00 | 2,036.00 | 5,938.00 |
| Thanet | 4,570.00 | 18,082.00 | 10,776.00 | 7,990.00 | 7,990.00 | 5,204.00 | 5,204.00 | 7,990.00 |
| Tonbridge & Malling | 5,175.00 | 20,706.00 | 15,528.00 | 8,802.00 | 2,589.00 | n/a ³ | 2,589.00 | 258.00 per member |
| Tunbridge Wells | 5,500.00 | 19,250.00 | 3,575.00 | 11,000.00 | 1,375.00 | 5,500.00 | 1,375.00 | 275.00 per member |

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Kent Average⁴ | 5,666.94 | 22,177.85 | 11,485.89 | 8,960.94 | 4,761.55 | 6,196.83 | 3,432.73 | n/a |
| South-East Av. | 7,253.34 | 20,323.23 | 11,498.70 | 9,770.54 | 5,045.66 | 6,484.16 | 4,176.31 | n/a |

¹ Audit Committee used if no equivalent to the DDC Governance Committee.

² Swale Borough Council ceased operating a Cabinet model in May 2022.

³ Not directly comparable as uses three area-based committees.

⁴ All Kent District/Borough Councils with an allowance (excluding Dover District Council)