

## Councillors Expenses:- From January to March 2014

### Expenses incurred by Councillors in undertaking their Councillor responsibilities

Name	Interstate or Overseas Conference attendance (Includes registration fee, airfares, taxis, accommodation, incidental costs)	Victorian Conference Attendance and Training Costs (Includes registration fee, travel, accomodation)	Meal Costs (Includes for attendance at Council and Committee meetings, training or conferences)	Councillor Allowances (Includes statutory allowances, amount in lieu of superannuation, workers compensation, etc)	Communication Costs		Communication Costs (Includes mobile telephones, land lines, facsimiles, computers, Ipads, etc)	Other Costs (Includes printing and other miscellaneous i.e. Cabcharge and Miki)	Record of Attendance at Meetings for which Councillor is the appointed Delegate (1 Jan to 31 March))	Other costs and expenses Councillors incurred during current term of office while carrying out their duties.
			Amount incurred each Quarter	Amount Paid Each Quarter	Capital Costs and Monthly Fees	Operational				
Cr Geoff BARBOUR	Nil	Cultural Diversity Week, Premier's Gala Dinner, Sat 15 Mar, 7-11PM, Crown Palladium, \$160 Business Network Breakfast, Thurs 20 Mar, 6:45-9am, 364 Church Street, \$50	\$179.69	Allowance \$6,423.00	iPhone monthly fee \$54.54	Jan call costs \$58.56	Cabcharge Cost \$130.50	Room to Create Advisory Committee Program Launch, Tues Feb 4th, 10:30-12:00, Bakehouse Studio		
				Insurance \$427.00	Home Internet per month \$69.90	Feb call costs \$70.55	Printing Cost \$1.70	Heritage Advisory Committee, Wed April 5th, 6-8pm, RTH MR3		
						March call costs \$70.84	Myki Cost \$90.90	Business Advisory Group, Thurs 27 Feb, 8-10am, FTH Reading Room		
								Heritage Strategy Inception Meeting, Tues 25 Mar, 6:30-7:30PM RTH MR1		
			<b>Total \$6,850.00</b>	<b>Total \$373.32</b>	<b>Total \$199.95</b>	<b>Total \$223.10</b>				
Cr Roberto Colanzi	Nil	NBAA Breakfast, Thurs 6 Mar, 6:45-9am. Rydges Bell St Preston. \$60.  Cultural Diversity Week, Premier's Gala Dinner, Sat 15 Mar, 7-11PM, Crown Palladium, \$160 Business Networking Breakfast, Thurs 20 Mar, 6:45 - 9am. 364 Church St. \$50.  Jesuit Social Services Annual Dinner. Sat 22	\$179.69	Allowance \$6,423.00	iPhone monthly fee \$54.54	Jan call costs \$78.74	Cabcharge Cost \$0.00	YEF Board Meeting, Tues Jan 28, 7-9pm, RTH Lounge		
				Insurances \$427.00	<b>Total \$163.62</b>	Feb call costs \$97.61	Printing Cost \$35.00	Room to Create Advisory Committee Program Launch, Tues Feb 4th, 10:30-12:00, Bakehouse Studio		
				<b>\$6,850.00</b>		Mar call costs \$101.07	Myki Cost \$3.50	Audit Committee, Tues Feb 18th, 2-4pm, RTH Lounge		
				<b>Total</b>	<b>Total \$277.42</b>	<b>Total \$38.50</b>	Fitzroy Town Hall Historic Display Committee, Thurs Feb 20, 4:30-5:30, FTH Crs Office Yarra Energy Foundation Meeting, Thurs Feb 20th, 7-9pm, RTH Lounge Business Advisory Group, Thurs 27 Feb, 8-10am, FTH Reading Room			
							PTACSC, Thurs Feb 27, 6-7:30PM, FTH Mayors Room			
							PTACSC, Thurs 27 Mar, 6-7:30PM, FTH Mayors Room			
Cr Jackie FRISTACKY  Mayor	Nil	VLGA Mayors Weekend. 16 to 18th Jan. Werribee Mansion. \$2300.  Sally Isaac International Women's Day Breakfast. Wed 5 Mar, 7:30-9am. FTH. \$60.  NBAA Breakfast. Thurs 6 Mar, 6:45-9am. Rydges, Bell Street Preston. \$60.	\$179.69	Allowance \$19,874.00	iPhone monthly fee \$54.54	Jan call costs \$221.99	Cabcharge Cost \$0.00			
				Insurances \$427.00	Home Internet per month \$79.90	Feb call costs \$205.49	Printing Cost \$403.53	Aboriginal Partnerships Policy (Reference Group) Mon Feb 3rd, 3-4:30, RTH Lounge		
				<b>\$20,301.00</b>	Replacement iphones \$1,800.00	Mar call costs \$141.96	Myki Cost \$0.00	Room to Create Advisory Committee Program Launch, Tues Feb 4th, 10:30-12:00, Bakehouse Studio		
				<b>Total</b>	<b>Total \$1,963.62</b>	<b>Total \$569.44</b>	<b>Total \$403.53</b>	Disability Advisory Committee, Tues Feb 11th, 4-6pm, Willowview Centre, Abbotsford MTF Wed Feb 5th, 6-8:30, MAV Collins Street		

											MTF, Fri Feb 14th, 8-10am, MAV Collins Street
											Audit Committee, Tues Feb 18th, 2-4pm, RTH Lounge RSAGIM, Wed Feb 19th, 1-3PM, City of Melbourne, Little Collins Street Fitzroy Town Hall Historic Display Committee, Thurs Feb 20, 4:30-5:30, FTH Crs Office MTF, Wed Mar 5th, 6-8:30PM, Melb Town Hall Disability Advisory Committee, Tues 11 Mar, 4-6pm, Willowcreek Centre, Abbotsford MTF, Fri 14 Mar, 8-11am, MAV Collins Street ISMFF, Fri 14 Mar, 12:30-2:30PM, Caulfield Park Pavilion
<b>Cr Misha Coleman</b>	Nil	Food Safari Picnic, Sun 2 March, 11:30am - 2:30pm. Herring Island. <b>\$85</b>  Cultural Diversity Week Premiers' Dinner, Sat Jesuit Social Services Annual Dinner, Sat 22 March, 7 - 9pm. <b>\$165</b>	\$179.69	Allowance \$6,423.00 Insurances \$427.00 <b>Total \$6,850.00</b>	iPhone monthly fee \$54.54 <b>Total \$163.62</b>	Jan call costs \$60.87 Feb call costs \$122.54 Mar call costs \$78.56 <b>Total \$261.97</b>	Cabcharge Cost \$84.60 Printing Cost \$268.30 Childcare while attending meetings \$678.23 Myki Cost \$0.00 <b>Total #####</b>	Collingwood Children's Farm Management Meeting, Thurs Feb 27, 7-7:30PM, Childrens Farm  Yarra Settlement Forum, Tues Feb 25, 9:30-11:30am, FTH Reading Room Collingwood Children's Farm Management Meeting, Thurs 27 Mar, 6-7:30PM, Childrens Farm			
<b>Cr Sam GAYLARD</b>	Nil	Smart Urban Futures Conference. Wed 26	\$179.69	Allowance \$6,423.00 Insurances \$427.00 <b>Total \$6,850.00</b>	iPhone mthly fee \$54.54 Telstra mthly Conn \$69.90 <b>Total \$124.44</b>	Jan call costs \$66.42 Feb call costs \$104.42 March call costs \$79.97 <b>Total \$250.81</b>	Cabcharge Cost \$0.00 Printing Cost \$0.00 Myki Cost \$0.00 <b>Total \$0.00</b>	YEF Board Meeting, Tues Jan 28, 7-9pm, RTH Lounge Community Gardens Advisory Committee, Thurs Feb 6th, 6-8pm, FTH Mayors Room Northern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (NAGA), Mon Feb 10, 9-10:30am, MAV Collions St PTACSC, Thurs Feb 27, 6-7:30PM, FTH Mayors Room			
<b>Cr Stephen JOLLY</b>	Nil	Nil	Nil	Allowance includes \$6,423.00 Insurances \$427.00 <b>Total \$6,850.00</b>	iPhone mthly fee \$54.54 <b>Total \$163.62</b>	Jan call costs \$263.35 Feb call costs \$162.00 Mar call costs \$150.80 <b>Total \$576.15</b>	Cabcharge Cost \$106.30 Printing Cost \$42.94 Myki Cost \$0.00 <b>Total \$149.24</b>	Nil			
<b>Cr Simon HUGGINS</b>	Nil	Nil	\$179.69	Allowance \$6,423.00 Insurances \$427.00 <b>Total \$6,850.00</b>	iPhone monthly fee \$54.54 <b>Total \$163.62</b>	Jan call costs \$52.66 Feb call costs \$70.83 March call costs \$76.53 <b>Total \$200.02</b>	Cabcharge Cost \$123.30 Printing Cost \$0.00 Myki Cost \$0.00 <b>Total \$123.30</b>	Room to Create Advisory Committee, Fri Jan 31, 4-5:30pm, FTH Mayors Room Room to Create Advisory Committee Program Launch, Tues Feb 4th, 10:30-12:00, Bakehouse Studio  Youth Advisory Committee, Thurs Feb 6th, 4-5:30pm, RTH Lounge Municipal Health Plan Advisory Committee Meeting, Wed Feb 12th, 12-1:30, RTH MR3 Audit Committee, Tues Feb 18th, 2-4pm, RTH Lounge Yarra Arts Advisory Committee (YAARTS), Wed 26 Feb, 4:30-6PM, RTH Lounge			
<b>Cr Phillip Vlahogiannis</b>	Nil	Cultural Diversity Week Premiers' Gala	\$179.69	Allowance \$6,423.00	iphone monthly fee \$54.54	Jan call costs \$69.37	Cabcharge Cost \$22.80	Business Advisory Group, Thurs 27 Feb, 8-10am, FTH Reading Room			

		Business Networking Breakfast, Thurs 20 Mar, 6:45-9am. 364 Church Street, \$50.		Insurances \$427.00		Feb call costs \$94.93	Printing Cost \$0.10		
				\$6,850.00	Total \$163.62	Mar call costs \$84.10	Myki Cost \$45.45		
						Total \$248.40	Total \$68.35		
Cr Amanda Stone	Nil	Friends of Bacau Dinner, Sat 15 March, 6:30 - 8:30pm. \$50.	\$179.69	Allowance \$6,423.00	iPhone monthly fee \$54.54	Jan call costs \$161.94	Cabcharge Cost \$0.00	Aboriginal Partnerships Policy (Reference Group) Mon Feb 3rd, 3-4:30, RTH Lounge	
				Insurances \$427.00	Total \$163.62	Feb call costs \$111.34	Printing Cost \$5.04	Room to Create Advisory Committee Program Launch, Tues Feb 4th, 10:30-12:00, Bakehouse Studio	
				Total \$6,850.00		March call costs \$135.14	Myki Cost \$90.90	Youth Advisory Committee, Thurs Feb 6th, 4-5:30pm, RTH Lounge	
						Total \$200.02	Total \$95.94	Early Years Reference Group, Tues Feb 11th, 12-2pm, FTH Reading Room	
								Disability Advisory Committee, Tues Feb 11th, 4-6pm, Willowview Centre, Abbotsford	
								Active Ageing Advisory Committee, Mon 24th Feb, 2-3:30pm, 433 Smith St	
								Yarra Environment Advisory Committee, Wed 26 Feb, 6-8PM, FTH Council Chambers	
								PTACSC, Thurs Feb 27, 6-7:30PM, FTH Mayors Room	
								Aboriginal Advisory Committee, Thur 6 Mar, 11:00-1:00, RTH MR1	
								Disability Advisory Committee, Tues 11 Mar, 4-6pm, Willowcreek Centre, Abbotsford	
								PTACSC, Thurs 27 Mar, 6-7:30PM, FTH Mayors Room	

Note 1. The Local Government Act provides that Councillors are paid an Annual Allowance and also be provided with appropriate tools and support to enable them to properly undertake their statutory obligations. The extent of support is generally recommended by the Office of Local Government. There are very substantial time commitments required of Councillors in on their constituents and perform their significant legal responsibilities, often requiring travel and late hours. Therefore the provision of efficient communications equipment, reimbursement of official travel and telephone expenses and if applicable, child care expenses is general provided by many municipalities across the State in order to assist Councillors to maximise the

Note 2: Training, Conference and Air Travel Budget. The amount provided in the 2010/2011 budget is \$11,000.00.

Note 3: Local Government (Councillor Remuneration Review) Panel Report 2008, as required by Minister for Local Government:

Extract: Clause 2.1.2. Allowance levels and motivation for candidacy

"Councils and Councillors and their peak bodies expressed the view that the amount of allowances had a significant impact on the decision to stand for Council and to return for a second or third term. In particular, surveys had shown that women, single parents and young adults with or without children were under-represented in candidacies as were business owners and young professionals. This submissions from the community and especially by advocacy groups for women and young people.

The Panel formed the view that allowance levels do present a barrier to candidacy for those women, young people and mid career professionals both standing for election for the first time and those standing for re-election.

Submissions and hearings pointed out that for most Councillors becoming Mayor involves a full-time commitment to the role and the sacrifice of income if an individual takes unpaid leave from his or her previous employment. The duties of a Councillor demand time, energy and commitment and many reduce their time in paid employment to meet the demands of the role.

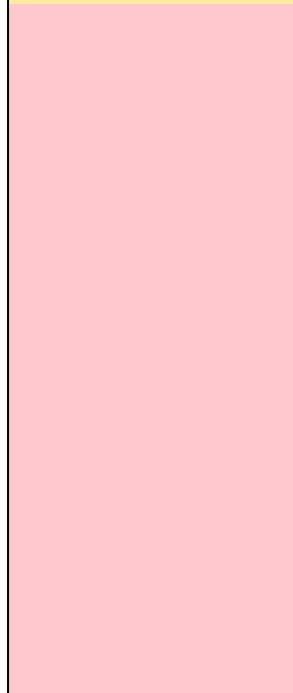
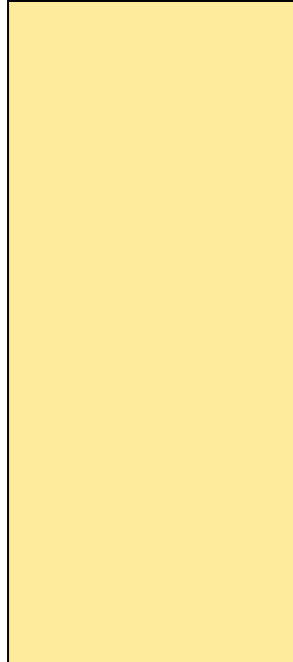
Becoming a Councillor also incurs costs for travel, accommodation and child and dependant care, which are not always fully reimbursed by the Council.

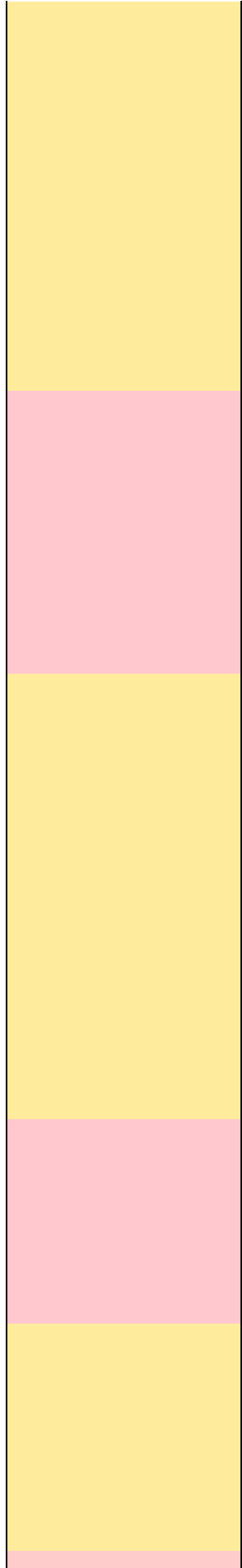
Some of the work of a Councillor occurs in ways that are not able to be discretely separated from other activities for the purposes of reimbursement, for example, representations about municipal matters received during non Council activities. The submissions the Panel received were almost unanimous in describing the financial sacrifices and the failure of the current level of allowances to compen:

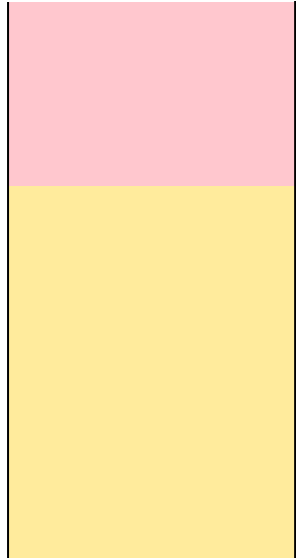
The Panel believes it is necessary to adjust the value of the allowance.

Overall the Panel believes the acceptance of recommendations on increases to the quantum would encourage diversity and, in particular, increase the likelihood that women, young people and people of non-English speaking background will nominate for election to their local Council."

Historical benchmark of all costs  
over \$500 incurred or paid by Council  
in respect of all current Councillors.







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