

NENE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Governor Allowances And Expenses Policy

Introduction

Governors play a key role in the leadership, management and strategic development of our school. They give significant amounts of time to their work and may, on occasions, be out of pocket. Although there is no legal obligation to do so, the Education Regulations 1999 allows maintained schools to pay legitimate expenses incurred by governors. The Governing Body must decide whether to pay allowances and what should be eligible. The regulations do not allow governors to be paid attendance allowance or for loss of earnings.

In our school, any governor expenses would be met from the school's delegated budget. All governor members, including associate governors, are treated in the same way.

All members of the Governing Body are permitted to vote on the nature and rates of allowances.

Eligible expenses

The Governing Body agree that the following expenses may be claimed:

- Child care or babysitting expenses (other than a resident and responsible person at the home address) up to the rate of £8.00 per hour
- Care arrangements for an elderly or dependant relative (as above) up to a rate of £8.00 per hour
- Support for governors with special educational needs (e.g. audio equipment)
- Support for governors whose first language is not English

Photocopying and stationery would normally be dealt with using school stock.

Claiming expenses

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

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. Governor allowances are subject to audit.

Agreed by the Governing Body of Nene Valley Primary School:

Signed:

Mrs Gail Warnes
Chair of Governors

Date:

REVIEW DATE: September 2011

Signed



Mr Stuart Mansell
Headteacher

Date: 21.10.2010