

Councillors Expenses:- From April to June, 2013

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		Other Costs (Includes printing and other miscellaneous i.e. Cabcharge and Miki)	Record of Attendance at Meetings for which Councillor is the appointed Delegate (Oct 1 - Dec 2011)	Other costs and expenses Councillors incurred during current term of office while carrying out their duties.	Historical benchmark of all costs over \$500 incurred or paid by Council in respect of all current Councillors.
					Capital Costs and Monthly Fees	Operational				
			Amount incurred each Quarter	Amount Paid Each Quarter						
Cr Geoff BARBOUR		May 11 - FLN Gala Ball at FTH \$75.00	\$475.00	Allowance includes Jan 2013 \$6,423.00	iPhone \$800.00	March/April Mobile \$17.35	Cabcharge Cost	April 29 - Heritage Advisory Committee - RTH Lounge May 16 - Business Advisory Group at FTH May 29 - Yarra Sustainability Awards Judging Panel at RTH May 30 - Heritage Advisory Committee at RTH June 4 - Early Years Reference Group at FTH		
		May 15 - VLGA Councillors Leadership Dinner at Pumphouse Hotel \$110.00		Insurance \$427.00 \$6,850.00	iPhone monthly fee \$29.00 Telstra mthly Conn \$49.00 Notebook \$2,000.00 Home Internet Conn \$59.00 Motion Mobile Device \$1,500.00 \$4,437.00	April/May Mobile \$22.39	Printing Cost \$0.90			
Cr Roberto Colanzi		June 6 - Northern Business Achievement Awards Breakfast at Rydges Bell City Ballroom \$55.00	\$475.00	Allowance includes Jan 2013 \$6,423.00	iphone \$800.00	March/April Mobile \$27.26	Printing Cost \$0.10	April 16 - Disability Advisory Committee -Collingwood Library April 18 - Yarra Energy Foundation Committee, RTH Lounge May 2 - YECC Committee Meeting at FTH May 8 - North Fitzroy Community Hub at FTH May 9 - YEF Keep Australia Beautiful Awards at YEF Office May 15 - Library Advisory Committee at FTH May 16 - Business Advisory Group at FTH May 16 - MAV State Council Meeting at the Sofitel Hotel May 16 - YEF Committee Meeting at RTH June 7 - MAV Emergency Mgt Councillor Referene Group June 11 - Disability Advisory Committee at Collingwood Library June 13 - Metropolitan Waste Management Forum at Marriott Hotel June 18 - Yarra Environment Advisory Committee at FTH June 20 - Yarra Energy Foundation Committee at RTH		
		June 7 - UN Environment Awards Night -Park Hyatt \$175.00 \$230.00		Insurances \$427.00 \$6,850.00	iphone monthly fee \$29.00 Telstra Mthly Conn \$49.00 Motion Mobile Device \$1,500.00 \$2,378.00	April/May Mobile \$29.25	Cabcharge Cost \$0.10			
Cr Jackie FRISTACKY Mayor		April 30 - MAV Conference Power to the People - 1 Spring Street \$550.00	\$375.00	Allowance includes Jan 2013 \$19,874.00	iPhone \$800.00	March/April Mobile \$90.30	Cabcharge Cost	April 3 - Metropolitan Trans Forum-Melb Town Hall Office April 11 - PTACSC - FTH Reading Room May 14 - IMAP Implementation Committee May 14 - PTACSC action sub committee weekly meeting, Smith Street Office		
		May 21 - Federal Budget Briefing Invitation at Plenty Ranges Arts and Convention Centre \$55.00 June 6 - Northern Business Achievement Awards Breakfast at Rydes Bell City Ballroom \$55.00 June 7 - UN Environment Awards Night at Park Hyatt Melbourne \$175.00		Insurances \$427.00 \$20,301.00	iPhone mthly Conn fee \$29.00 Telstra mthly Conn \$49.00	Mobile payment -\$20.00 April/May Mobile \$106.45 Mobile payment -\$20.00	Printing Cost \$47.60 \$47.60			

		June 17 - Iclei Oceania Briefing Breakfast at the National Convention Centre Canberra	\$55.00			Home Internet Conn	\$89.00		\$156.75		May 15 - RSAGIM at City of Stonnington			
			\$890.00			Printer	\$500.00				May 16 - MAV State Council Meeting at the Sofitel Hotel May 21 - Audit Committee Meeting at FTH June 5 - Metropolitan Trans Forum at the Melbourne Town Hall June 7 - MAV Board Meeting at 60 Collins Street June 11 - Doncaster Rail LG Group at Manningham Council Office			
							\$1,467.00							
Cr Misha Coleman	Nil	May 2 - ABCD Workshops- 60 Collins Street May 15 - VLGA Councillors Leadership Dinner at Pumperhouse Hotel May 25th and 26th -ALGWA Conference, Euroa June 7 - UN Environment Awards Night at Park Hyatt Melbourne June 17 - Australian Local Govt Woman Association June 21 - The Hamer Sprout Fund Launch at Northcote Town Hall June 24 - Distinctive Leadership	\$275.00 \$110.00 \$250.00 \$175.00 \$70.00 \$117.50 \$62.00	\$375.00	Allowance includes Jan 2013 Insurances	\$6,423.00 \$427.00 \$6,850.00	iphone iphone monthly fee Telstra mthly conn Printer Motion Mobile Device	\$800.00 \$29.00 \$49.00 \$500.00 \$1,500.00	March/April Mobile April/May Mobile	\$58.70 \$74.97 \$133.67	Cabcharge Cost Printing Cost Childcare while attending meetings Childcare while attending meetings	\$39.20 \$220.00 \$380.00 \$639.20	April 30 - Yarra Settlement Forum - FTH Mayors Room May 16 - Business Advisory Group at FTH May 21 - Audit Committee at FTH June 4 - Yarra Sustainability Awards Judging Panel at RTH	
Cr Sam GAYLARD	Nil	May 15 - VLGA Councillors Leadership Dinner at Pumperhouse Hotel June 7 - UN Environment Awards Night at Park Hyatt Melbourne	\$110.00 \$175.00	\$425.00	Allowance includes Jan 2013 Insurances	\$6,423.00 \$427.00 \$6,850.00	iPhone iPhone mthly fee Telstra mthly Conn Notebook Home Internet Conn Printer Motion Mobile Device	\$800.00 \$29.00 \$49.00 \$2,000.00 \$59.00 \$500.00 \$1,500.00	March/April Mobile April/May Mobile	\$39.15 \$74.25 \$113.40	Cabcharge Cost Printing Cost \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	April 18 - Yarra Energy Foundation Committee - RTH Lounge April 23 - Doncaster Rail - Manningham Council Office April 29 - Heritage Advisory Committee - RTH Lounge May 7 - PTACSC - at FTH May 8 - North Fitzroy Community Hub at FTH May 13 - NAGA Meeting at MEFL May 14 - PTACSC action sub committee weekly meeting May 16 - YEF Committee Meeting at RTH May 21 - PTACSC Sub Committee at FTH May 28 - PTACSC Sub Committee at FTH May 30 - YEF Meeting at RTH May 30 - Heritage Advisory Committee at RTH June 6 - Yarra Sustainability Awards Judging Panel at FTH June 6 - PTACSC at FTH June 11 - Doncaster Rail LG Group at Manningham Council Office	
Cr Stephen JOLLY	Nil			Nil	Allowance includes Jan 2012 Insurances	\$6,423.00 \$427.00 \$6,850.00	iPhone iPhone mthly fee Telstra mthly Conn Notebook Home Internet Conn iPad iPad Mthly Conn Printer	\$800.00 \$29.00 \$49.00 \$2,000.00 \$59.00 \$762.00 \$29.00 \$500.00	March/April Mobile April/May Mobile	\$134.85 \$178.99 \$313.84	Cabcharge Cost Printing Cost \$117.10	\$117.10 \$117.10	May 9 - PTACSC FTH Reading Room	
							\$4,228.00							

Cr Simon HUGGINS	Nil		Nil	Allowance includes Jan 2013 Insurances	\$6,423.00 \$427.00	iphone iphone mthly fee	\$800.00 \$29.00	March/April Mobile April/May Mobile	\$15.10 \$15.64	Cabcharge Cost Printing Cost	\$0.30	April 10 - YAARTS -RTH Room 3 April 12 - Youth Community Partnership Grant Assessment- RTH Lounge April 17 - Health Plan Advisory Committee - RTH Room1 May 16 - Business Advisory Group at FTH May 21 - Audit Committee Meeting at FTH May 29 - Live Music Working Group at RTH June 11 - Yarra Sustainability Awards Panel at RTH	
					\$6,850.00	Telstra mthly conn Motion Mobile Device	\$49.00 \$1,500.00		\$30.74		\$0.30		
Cr Phillip Vlahogiannis	Nil	April 18 - HACCI Proinos Cafes Networking Breakfast - 280 Bridge Road	\$25.00	\$425.00	Allowance includes Jan 2013 Insurances	\$6,423.00 \$427.00	iphone iphone monthly fee	\$800.00 \$29.00	March/April Mobile April/May Mobile	\$30.93 \$20.61	Cabcharge Cost Printing Cost	\$2.10	April 17 - Health Advisory Committee - RTH Room1 May 15 - Library Advisory Committee at FTH May 29 - Yarra Sustainability Awards at RTH
					\$6,850.00	Telstra mthly conn Motion Mobile Device	\$49.00 \$1,500.00		\$51.54		\$2.10		
Cr Amanda Stone		April 30 - MAV Conference- Power to the People May 11 - FLN Gala Ball at FTH June 7 - UN Environment Awards Night at Park Hyatt Melbourne	\$550.00 \$75.00 \$175.00	\$375.00	Allowance includes Jan 2013 Insurances	\$6,423.00 \$427.00	iPhone iPhone mthly fee	\$800.00 \$29.00	March/April Mobile Mobile payment	\$115.59 -\$2.00	Cabcharge Cost Printing Cost	\$5.70	April 11 - PTACSC, Fitzroy Town Hall Reading Room April 12 - Youth Community Partnership Grant Assessment April 23 - Early Years Reference Group - FTH May 2 - YECC Committee Meeting at FTH May 9 - PTACSC at FTH Reading Room May 13 - Active Aging Committee at Smith Street Office May 22 - FOB AGM at Preston Library May 30 - Yarra Youth Advisory Committee RTH May 31 - Yarra Sustainability Awards Judging Panel FTH June 4 - Early Years Reference Group FTH June 6 - PTACSC at FTH June 18 - Yarra Environment Advisory Committee at FTH June 19 - Management Committee of Friends of Baucau at Mark Street Hall Fitzroy June 24 - Active Aging Committee at Smith Street Office
					\$6,850.00	Telstra mthly Conn Telstra internet Motion Mobile Device Printer	\$49.00 \$59.95 \$1,500.00 \$500.00		\$96.34 \$209.93			\$5.70	
												\$2,937.95	

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 order for them to properly represent 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 generally provided by many municipalities across the State in order to assist Councillors to maximise their Councillor responsibilities.

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 view was strongly supported in 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 compensate this.

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."