

The National Assembly for Wales (Assembly Members and Officers) (Salaries) Determination December 2008

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1. INTRODUCTION, DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1. Introduction

1.1.1. This Determination is made by the National Assembly for Wales Commission under sections 20, 21 and 53 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 and Standing Order 1.7 and is called the National Assembly for Wales (Assembly Members and Officers) (Salaries) Determination December 2008 and comes into force on 4 December 2008.

1.1.2. The Determination sets out the salaries payable to Assembly Members with effect from the day when it comes into force. Subject to any saving and transitional provisions which it contains, this Determination supersedes the National Assembly for Wales (Assembly Members and Officers) (Salaries) Determination 2008, made in March 2008, which ceases to apply.

1.2. Presiding Officer's decision

1.2.1. Any questions of entitlement of a particular individual to a salary shown in this Determination are to be decided by the Presiding Officer.



2. MEMBERS' SALARIES

2.1. Amount Payable

2.1.1. The salary payable to Members shall consist of a basic salary equal to 82.0 per cent of the salary of a Member of Parliament together with an additional office-holder's salary if the Member holds one of the offices listed in paragraph 2.1.3. A Member's salary does not become payable until he/she has taken the oath or made affirmation required by law in accordance with section 23 of the Government of Wales Act 2006.

2.1.2. Assembly Members who are also Members of Parliament or Members of the European Parliament will have their Assembly salary reduced, in accordance with section 21 of the Government of Wales Act 2006, by an amount equal to two thirds of the basic salary which that Assembly Member would otherwise be entitled to receive.

2.1.3. Members who hold any of the following offices are entitled to receive an additional salary as follows:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Additional Office-Holder's Salary</u>
First Minister	an additional office-holder's salary at the same level as a Secretary of State
Welsh Minister / Counsel General / Presiding Officer / Leader of the largest party without an executive role	an additional office-holder's salary at the same level as a Minister of State
Deputy Minister / Deputy Presiding Officer/ Government Chief Whip	an additional office-holder's salary at the level of 62.9 per cent of that of a Welsh Minister
Leader of parties without an executive role (other than the largest) / Assembly Commissioners / Opposition Chief Whip if also the Opposition Business Manager	an additional office-holder's salary at the level of 27.9 per cent of that of a Welsh Minister
Chairs of Assembly Committees	an additional office-holder's salary at the level of 27.9 of that of a Welsh Minister if the Committee is listed in Part 1 of the Annex or 14.6 per cent of that of a Welsh Minister if the Committee is listed in Part 2 of the Annex.



2.1.4. A Member who holds more than one of the offices specified in paragraph 2.1.3 is only entitled to receive an additional office-holder's salary in respect of one of those offices, namely the higher or, as the case may be, the highest paid of those offices.

2.2. Counsel General who is not an Assembly Member

2.2.1. A Counsel General appointed under section 49 of the Government of Wales Act 2006 but who is not an Assembly Member is entitled to receive salary at the same level as the total salary payable under paragraphs 2.1.1 to 2.1.3 to a Counsel General who is an Assembly Member.

2.3. Payment of Salaries

2.3.1. Salaries are paid monthly in arrears on the last working day of each month. Payment is made direct to the Member's account by electronic transfer (Bankers Automated Clearing Services - BACS).



Annex

Additional office-holder salaries payable to Chairs of Assembly Committees:

Part 1

Chairs of the following committees are eligible for an additional office-holder salary equivalent to 27.9 per cent of that of a Welsh Minister:

- the Scrutiny Committees established under Standing Order 12;
- the Audit Committee established under Standing Order 13;
- the Finance Committee established under Standing Order 14;
- Committees established under Standing Order 21 to consider legislative proposals referred to them by the Business Committee.

Part 2

Chairs of the following committees are eligible for an additional office-holder salary equivalent to 14.6 per cent of that of a Welsh Minister:

- Children & Young People Committee;
- Equality of Opportunity Committee;
- European & External Affairs Committee;
- Petitions Committee;
- Standards of Conduct Committee;
- Subordinate Legislation Committee.