

Wages and Expenses – Mark Drakeford MS

8 February 2022

Request for Information.

Thank you for your request received on 19 January in which you asked:

Could you please tell me how much has Mark Drakeford been paid in wages and expenses from January 2020 to January 2022?

The **Remuneration Board** is responsible for setting the pay, pensions and allowances of Members of the Senedd and Members support staff.

For 2020-21 the salary of the First Minister, Mark Drakeford MS, can be found on page 23, Chapter 3, within the **Review of the Determination for the Sixth Senedd.**

For 2021-22 the salary of the First Minister, Mark Drakeford MS, can be found on page 16, Section 3, Table 1 within the **Determination on Members' Pay and Allowances for the Sixth Senedd**

The rules surrounding what Members of the Senedd are entitled to claim for are also contained within the **Determination**. Expenses claims will broadly fall under one of four main allowance types:

- Office Costs Allowance (i.e. office expenses related to their duties as an Member of the Senedd)
- Additional Costs Allowance (i.e. expenses incurred in staying overnight away from their main home for the purpose of performing their duties as a Member of the Senedd)
- Travel Costs Allowance (i.e. travel expenses incurred by Members due to their Senedd duties)

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All claims are published on our <u>allowances system</u> three months in arrears and will show in the financial year the cost relates to.

In order to find this information on our <u>allowances system</u>, please follow these instructions:

- i. Select the financial years you wish to search.
- ii. To select a specific Member of the Senedd, select 'MEMBER PICKER' and view the list of previous and current Members and select the specific Member(s). If you wish to search the system for all Members, please leave this blank.
- iii. If you wish to search for a specific expense type, in the 'ALLOWANCE TYPE PICKER', select one or more expense categories. If you wish to search the system for them all, please leave this category blank.
- iv. Select 'Search'

If you are unable to follow these instruction, please let me know.

As this information is already available, your request is subject to section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which exempts information that is already reasonably accessible by other means.

Yours sincerely

Buddug Saer Freedom of Information Manager Welsh Parliament Your request has been considered according to the principles set out in the <u>Code of Practice on Public Access to Information</u>. If you have any questions regarding this response please contact me. If you feel you have cause for complaint, please follow the guidance below.

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