

# Governor Allowances and Expenses Policy

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## 1. Aims

The governing board has decided to pay reasonable allowances from the school's delegated budget to cover any costs that board members incur through carrying out their duties.

This policy sets out the terms on which such allowances will be paid.

By adopting this policy, we will ensure that no member of the community is prevented from becoming a governor on the grounds of cost.

## 2. Overview

Members of the governing board may claim allowances to cover expenditure necessary to enable them to perform their duties.

This does **not** include an attendance allowance, or payment to cover loss of earnings.

Members of the governing board may claim allowances by completing a claim form (see appendix 1) and submitting it to the Headteacher via email on headteacher@mjps.org.uk.

Allowances will only be paid on the provision of a receipt and will be limited to the amount shown on the receipt.

Members of the governing board may claim for:

- Childcare
- > Care for elderly or dependent relatives
- > Extra costs incurred because they have a special need or English as a second language
- > Travel and subsistence costs
- > Telephone charges, photocopying, postage or stationery
- > Other justifiable allowances

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Claims will be paid in arrears on a case-by-case basis. Reimbursable costs should be agreed in principle by the chair of governors **before** they are incurred.

The chair of governors (or the vice-chair, where appropriate) may investigate claims that appear excessive or inconsistent. All claims will be subject to an independent audit.

> Travel expenses where a governor uses their own vehicle must not exceed HMRC's approved mileage rates (see appendix 2).

# 4. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually by the governing board. Any amendments will be presented at a meeting of the full governing board.

# Appendix 1: governor claim form

Mosaic Jewish Primary School Governor claim form				
Name:				
Address:				
Claim period:				
I claim the total sum of $\underline{\mathbf{f}}$ for governor expenses as detailed below. I have attached relevant receipts to support my claim.				
Signed: Date:				
EXPENSE TYPE	£			
Childcare				
Care arrangements for dependent relatives				
Support for a special need or English as a second language				
Travel or subsistence				
Telephone charges, photocopying, postage or stationery				
Other (please specify)				
Total expenses claimed				
This form should be submitted to the headteacher along with any relevant receipts.  The form should be submitted within 2 weeks of the expenses being incurred.				

# **Appendix 2: approved mileage rates**

The table below shows HMRC's current approved mileage rates, which are published online by <u>HMRC</u>.

TYPE OF VEHICLE	FIRST 10,000 MILES	ABOVE 10,000 MILES
Cars and vans	45p	25p
Motorcycles	24p	24p
Bikes	20p	20p