

# Local Government Act 1972

# **1972 CHAPTER 70**

# PART VIII

# FINANCE

Allowances to members of local authorities and other bodies

# 173 Attendance allowance and financial loss allowance.

- [<sup>F1</sup>(1) Subject to subsection (6) below, any member of a [<sup>F2</sup>parish or community council] who is a councillor shall be entitled to receive a payment by way of attendance allowance, that is to say, a payment for the performance of any approved duty, being a payment of such reasonable amount, not exceeding the prescribed amount, as the [<sup>F2</sup>parish or community council] may determine [<sup>F3</sup>unless a notice under section 173A below is effective in relation to him].
  - (2) The amount prescribed under subsection (1) above may be prescribed by reference to any period of twenty-four hours.
  - (3) The amount of any allowance determined by a [<sup>F2</sup>parish or community council] under subsection (1) above may vary according to the time of day and the duration of the duty, but shall be the same for all members of the [<sup>F4</sup>council] entitled to the allowance in respect of a duty of any description at the same time of day and of the same duration.
  - (4) Subject to subsection (6) below, any member of a [<sup>F5</sup>parish or community council] who is not entitled under subsection (1) above to receive attendance allowance for the performance of an approved duty shall be entitled to receive a payment by way of financial loss allowance, that is to say, a payment not exceeding the prescribed amount in respect of any loss of earnings necessarily suffered, or any additional expenses (other than expenses on account of travelling or subsistence) necessarily suffered or incurred by him for the purpose of enabling him to perform that duty.

(6) A member of a parish or community council shall not be entitled to any payment under this section in respect of the performance as such a member of an approved duty within the parish or community or, in the case of a parish or community grouped under a common parish or community council, the area of the group.]

## **Textual Amendments**

- **F1** Ss. 173-178 repealed (W.) (30.4.2012) by Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 4), s. 178(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(3), **Sch. 4 Pt. F**; S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(q)(2)(m)
- F2 Words in s. 173 substituted (27.2.1991 for certain purposes and 1.4.1991 otherwise) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(1), Sch. 11 para. 26(a); S.I. 1991/344, art.3(1)(2) (with saving in Sch. para. 1(1)(a))
- F3 Words added by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1), s. 24(1)(3)
- F4 Word in s. 173(3) substituted (27.2.1991 for certain purposes and 1.4.1991 otherwise) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(1), Sch. 11 para. 26(b); S.I. 1991/344, art.3(1)(2) (with saving in Sch. para. 1(1)(a))
- F5 Words in s. 173(4) substituted (27.1.1991 for certain purposes and 1.4.1991 otherwise) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(1), Sch. 11 para. 26(c); S.I.1991/344,art. 3(1)(2) (with saving in Sch. para. 1(1)(a)(2))
- **F6** S. 173(5) repealed by S.I. 1977/1710, art. 3(c)

## Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 S. 173 modified by S.I. 1991/351, reg. 23
  - S. 173 restricted by S.I. 1991/351, **reg. 21**
  - S. 173 applied (4.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/263, reg. 16(4)
  - S. 173 extended (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 423(4), 583(2), Sch. 33 Pt. I para. 4(b) (with s. 1(4))
- C2 S. 173: power to amend or repeal conferred (1.11.2000 for W. and 19.2.2001 for E.) by 2000 c. 22, s. 100(4); S.I. 2000/2948, art. 2; S.I. 2001/415, art. 2(b)
   S. 173: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (20.1.2003 for E. and 31.5.2005 for W.) by 1998

S. 173: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (20.1.2003 for E. and 31.5.2005 for W.) by 1998 c. 31, s. 94(5C) (as substituted by 2002 c. 32, **ss. 50**, 216(4) (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2952, **art. 2** (with Sch. para. 3(1)(2)); S.I. 2005/1395, **art. 4**, Sch. (with art. 5(3)(a)))

S. 173: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (20.1.2003 for E. and 9.1.2004 for W.) by Education Act 2002 (c. 32), **ss. 52(6)**, 216(4) (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2952, **art. 2** (with Sch. para. 4); S.I. 2003/2961, **art. 7**, Sch. Pt. IV

S. 173: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (20.1.2003 for E. and 31.5.2005 for W.) by 1998 c. 31, s. 95(3B) (as substituted for s. 95(3) by 2002 c. 32, ss. 51, 216(4), **Sch. 4 para. 9** (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2952, **art. 2** (with Sch. para. 3(3)(4)); S.I. 2005/1395, **art. 4**, Sch. (with art. 5(1)))

- C3 Ss. 173-175 restricted (E.) (1.5.2003) by The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1021), reg. 34(1)(a)(2)
- C4 Ss. 173-178 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/467), reg. 14(2)
- C5 S. 173(4) applied (with modifications) (E.) (1.4.2008) by The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Pupil Referral Units) (England) Regulations 2008 (S.I. 2008/532), reg. 7, **Sch. para. 5(1)**

C6 S. 173(4) extended by Education Act 1980 (c. 20, SIF 41:1), s. 7(4), Sch. 2 para. 4
S. 173(4) modified (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 24(5), Sch. 4 para. 3(1) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch. 1

C7 S. 173(4) applied (with modifications) (1.4.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 94(5), Sch. 24 Pt. I para. 5(1) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/1016, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
S. 173(4) applied (with modifications) (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 67(2), Sch. 18 para. 3(1) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
S. 173(4) applied (with modifications) (E.) (20.1.2003) by The Education (Admissions Appeals Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/2899), reg. 7(1)

S. 173(4) applied (with modifications) (W.) (31.5.2005) by The Education (Admission Appeals Arrangements) (Wales) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/1398), reg. 7(1)
S. 173(4) applied (W.) (9.1.2004) by The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Maintained Schools) (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/3227), reg. 7, Sch. para. 3(1)

C8 S. 173(4) applied (with modifications) (E.) (1.2.2012) by The School Admissions (Appeals Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/9), regs. 1(1), 6(1) (with reg. 2)

# [<sup>F7</sup>173A Right to opt for financial loss allowance.

- [<sup>F1</sup>(1) If a councillor gives notice in writing to the [<sup>F8</sup>parish or community council] of which he is a member that he wishes to receive financial loss allowance, he shall be entitled, subject to and in accordance with the following provisions of this section, to receive that allowance instead of any payment by way of attendance allowance to which he would otherwise be entitled.
  - (2) A notice under this section is referred to in this section as a "financial loss allowance notice".
  - (3) If a councillor gives a financial loss allowance notice to the [<sup>F8</sup>parish or community council] not later than the end of the period of [<sup>F9</sup>one month beginning with the day of] his election as a member of the [<sup>F10</sup>council][<sup>F11</sup>then, subject to subsection (4A) below], he shall be entitled to receive financial loss allowance for the performance of any approved duty since his election, whether performed before or after the giving of the notice.
- [<sup>F12</sup>(4) If a councillor gives a financial loss allowance notice to the [<sup>F8</sup>parish or community council] otherwise than in accordance with subsection (3) above, then, subject to subsection (4A) below, he shall be entitled to receive financial loss allowance for the performance of any approved duty after the end of the period of one month beginning with the day on which the notice is given.
- (4A) If a councillor who has given a [<sup>F8</sup>parish or community council] a financial loss allowance notice gives them notice in writing that he withdraws that notice, it shall not have effect in relation to any duty performed after the day on which the notice of withdrawal is given.]]]

# **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Ss. 173-178 repealed (W.) (30.4.2012) by Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 4), s. 178(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(3), Sch. 4 Pt. F; S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(q)(2)(m)
- F7 S. 173A inserted by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1), s. 24(2)(3)
- **F8** Words substituted by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 194(1), Sch. 11 para. 26(a);S.I.1991/344, art. 3(2)
- F9 Words substituted by Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Act 1983 (c. 29, SIF 99:1), s. 7(1)(2)
- **F10** Word in s. 173A(3) substituted (1.4.1991), by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42,SIF 81:1), s.194(1), **Sch. 11 para. 26(b)**;S.I.1991/344, **art 3(2)**
- **F11** Words inserted by Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Act 1983 (c. 29, SIF 99:1), s. 7(1)(2)
- **F12** S. 173A(4)(4A) substituted for S. 173A(4)–(6) by Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Act 1983 (c. 29, SIF 99:1), **s. 7(1)(3)**

## Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C9 S. 173A applied (4.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/263, reg. 16(4)

S. 173A: power to amend or repeal conferred (W.) (1.11.2000) and (E.) (19.2.2001) by 2000 c. 22, s. **100(4)**; S.I. 2000/2948, art. 2; S.I. 2001/415, art. 2(b)

- C10 Ss. 173-175 restricted (E.) (1.5.2003) by The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1021), reg. 34(1)(a)(2)
- C11 Ss. 173-178 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/467), reg. 14(2)
- C12 S. 173A(3) modified by S.I. 1985/1884, art. 10, Sch. 3 para. 3(*a*)
- C13 S. 173A(3) amended (*temp.*) by Local Government Act 1986 (c. 10, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 11(7) (the amendment falls by virtue of the repeal of the said s.11 (1.4.1991)by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1, 2), ss. 194(4), Sch. 12 Pt. II); which was brought into force by S.I. 1991/344, art. 3(2)

# 174 Travelling allowance and subsistence allowance.

- [<sup>F1</sup>(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3) below, a member of a body to which this section applies shall be entitled to receive payments by way of travelling allowance or subsistence allowance where expenditure on travelling (whether inside or outside the United Kingdom) or, as the case may be, on subsistence is necessarily incurred by him for the purpose of enabling him to perform any approved duty as a member of that body, being payments at rates determined by that body, but not exceeding, in the case of travel [<sup>F13</sup>or subsistence] for the purpose of an approved duty within the United Kingdom, such rates as may be specified by the Secretary of State.
  - (2) A member of a parish or community council shall not be entitled to any payment under this section in respect of the performance as such a member of an approved duty within the parish or community or, in the case of a parish or community grouped under a common parish or community council, the area of the group.

## **Textual Amendments**

- **F1** Ss. 173-178 repealed (W.) (30.4.2012) by Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 4), s. 178(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(3), **Sch. 4 Pt. F**; S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(q)(2)(m)
- F13 Words inserted by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 25(1)
- F14 S. 174(3) repealed by Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 194,
   Sch. 34 Pt. XVI

- C14 S. 174 extended by Education Act 1980 (c. 20, SIF 41:1), s. 7(4), Sch. 2 para. 4
  S. 174 extended (1.11.1996) by 1996 c. 56, ss. 423(4), 583(2), Sch. 33 Pt. I para. 4(a) (with s. 1(4))
  S. 174 extended (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 67(2), Sch. 18 para. 3(1) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
- C15 S. 174 modified by S.I. 1991/351, reg. 23
  S. 174 modified (19.9.1995) by 1995 c. 25, ss. 63(5), 125(2), Sch. 7 para. 11(1) (with ss. 7(6), 115, 117)
  S. 174 modified (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 24, Sch. 4 para. 3(1) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I.
- 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
  C16 S. 174 restricted by S.I. 1991/351, reg. 21
  Ss. 173-175 restricted (E.) (1.5.2003) by The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England)
  Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1021), reg. 34(1)(a)(2)
- C17 S. 174 applied (with modifications) (8.1.1996) by 1995 c. x, ss. 1(3), 44, Sch. Pt. I
   S. 174 applied (temp. from 4.5.1995 to 31.3.1996) by S.I. 1995/1042, art. 4(1)

S. 174 applied (4.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/263, reg. 16(4) S. 174 applied (with modifications) (1.4.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 94(5), Sch. 24 Pt. I para. 5(1) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/1016, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 **C18** S. 174; power to amend or repeal conferred (1.11,2000 (W.) and 19.2,2001 (E.)) by 2000 c. 22, s. 100(4); S.I. 2000/2948, art. 2; S.I. 2001/415, art. 2(b) S. 174: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (20.1.2003 for E. and 31.5.2005 for W.) by 1998 c. 31, s. 94(5C) (as substituted by 2002 c. 32, ss. 50, 216(4) (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2952, art. 2 (with Sch. para. 3(1)(2)); S.I. 2005/1395, art. 4, Sch. (with art. 5(3)(a))) S. 174: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (20.1.2003 for E. and 9.1.2004 for W.) by Education Act 2002 (c. 32), ss. 52(6), 216(4) (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2952, art. 2 (with Sch. para. 4); S.I. 2003/2961, art. 7, Sch. Pt. IV S. 174: power to apply (with modifications) conferred (20.1.2003 for E. and 31.5.2005 for W.) by 1998 c. 31, s. 95(3B) (as substituted for s. 95(3) by 2002 c. 32, ss. 51, 216(4), Sch. 4 para. 9 (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2952, art. 2 (with Sch. para. 3(3)(4)); S.I. 2005/1395, art. 4, Sch. (with art. 5(1))) C19 S. 174 excluded (W.) (9.8.2002) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of County and County Borough Councils and National Park Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1895), reg. 20(3) S. 174 excluded (W.) (1.4.2003) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of Community Councils) (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/895), reg. 15(3) C20 S. 174 disapplied (W.) (29.9.2004) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of Fire Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2555), reg. 20 C21 S. 174 extended (temp.) (22.7.2004) by The Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (Establishment of Conservation Board) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/1777), art. 15(1) S. 174 extended (temp.) (22.7.2004) by The Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (Establishment of Conservation Board) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/1778), art. 15(1) C22 Ss. 173-178 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/467), reg. 14(2) C23 S. 174(1) applied (with modifications) (E.) (1.4.2008) by The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Pupil Referral Units) (England) Regulations 2008 (S.I. 2008/532), reg. 7, Sch. para. 5(2) C24 S. 174(1) modified (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 67(2), Sch. 18 para. 3(2) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 S. 174(1) modified (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 24, Sch. 4 para. 3(2) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 C25 S. 174(1) applied (with modifications) (1.4.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 94(5), Sch. 24 Pt. I para. 5(2) (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/1016, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 S. 174(1) applied (with modifications) (E.) (20.1.2003) by The Education (Admissions Appeals Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/2899), reg. 7(2) S. 174(1) applied (with modifications) (E.) (20.1.2003) by The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals) (Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/3178), reg. 6, Sch. para. 3(2) S. 174(1) applied (with modifications) (W.) (31.5.2005) by The Education (Admission Appeals Arrangements) (Wales) Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/1398), reg. 7(2) S. 174(1) applied (W.) (9.1.2004) by The Education (Pupil Exclusions and Appeals)(Maintained Schools)(Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/3227), reg. 7, {Sch. para. 3(2)} C26 S. 174(1) applied (with modifications) (E.) (1.2.2012) by The School Admissions (Appeals Arrangements) (England) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/9), regs. 1(1), 6(2) (with reg. 2) C27 S. 174(1) applied (with modifications) (1.9.2012) by The School Discipline (Pupil Exclusions and Reviews) (England) Regulations 2012 (S.I. 2012/1033), reg. 1(1), Sch. 1 para. 6(3) (with reg. 1(2))

# 175 Allowances for attending conferences and meetings.

[<sup>F1</sup>(1) The following bodies, that is to say—

(a) any local authority;

(b) any other body to which this section applies and which has power by virtue of any enactment to send representatives to any conference or meeting to which this section applies;

may pay any member of the authority or other body attending any such conference or meeting such [<sup>F15</sup>allowances in the nature of an attendance allowance and an allowance for travelling and subsistence, as they think fit.

- (1A) Payments made under subsection (1) above shall be of such reasonable amounts as the body in question may determine in a particular case or class of case but shall not exceed—
  - (a) in the case of payments of an allowance in the nature of an attendance allowance, such amounts as may be specified in or determined under regulations made by the Secretary of State; and
  - (b) in the case of payments of an allowance in the nature of an allowance for travel and subsistence in respect of a conference or meeting held in the United Kingdom, such amounts as may be specified under section 174 above for the corresponding allowance under that section;

and regulations made by the Secretary of State may make it a condition of any payment mentioned in paragraph (a) above that, in the financial year to which the payment would relate, the aggregate amount which the body in question has paid or is already liable to pay in respect of any prescribed allowance or allowances does not exceed such maximum amount as may be specified in or determined under the regulations.]

- (2) Where a body mentioned in subsection (1)(b) above has power under any enactment other than this Act or any instrument under such an enactment to pay expenses incurred in attending a conference or meeting to which this section applies, the amount payable under that enactment or instrument shall not exceed the amount which would be payable in respect of the attendance under that subsection.
- (3) In relation to a local authority this section applies to a conference or meeting held inside or outside the United Kingdom and convened by any person or body (other than a person or body convening it in the course of a trade or business or a body the objects of which are wholly or partly political) for the purpose of discussing matters which in their opinion relate to the interests of their area or any part of it or the interests of the inhabitants of their area or any part of it.
- [<sup>F16</sup>(3B) [<sup>F17</sup>In relation to [<sup>F18</sup>an economic prosperity board, a combined authority [<sup>F19</sup>, a combined county authority] or] any][<sup>F20</sup>body which is a joint board, joint authority or other combined body all the members of which are representatives of local authorities] this section applies to a conference or meeting held and convened as mentioned in subsection (3) above for the purpose of discussing matters which in the body's opinion relate—
  - (a) to the functions of the body; or
  - (b) to any functions of local authorities in which the body has an interest.]
  - (4) In relation to any other body to which this section applies this section applies to a conference or meeting convened by one or more such bodies or by an association of such bodies.]

# **Textual Amendments**

**F1** Ss. 173-178 repealed (W.) (30.4.2012) by Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 4), s. 178(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(3), **Sch. 4 Pt. F**; S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(q)(2)(m)

- F15 In s. 175 words and s.175(1A) substituted (1.4.1990 in so far as the substituting provision confers a power on the Secretary of State but otherwise 1.4.1991: S.I. 1990/431, art. 4; S.I. 1991/344, art.3(2)) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(1), Sch. 11 para. 27(a)
- F16 S. 175(3B) inserted by virtue of Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c. 65, SIF 81:1), s. 25(3) and Water Act 1983 (c. 23, SIF 130) s. 11(2), Sch. 4 para. 7
- F17 Words inserted by virtue of Water Act 1983 (c. 23, SIF 130), s. 11(2), Sch. 4 para. 7
- **F18** Words in s. 175(3B) substituted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 1.4.2018 in so far as not already in force) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), Sch. 2 para. 44; S.I. 2018/227, reg. 4(c)
- **F19** Words in s. 175(3B) inserted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), Sch. 4 para. 35 (with s. 247)
- F20 S. 175(3B) substituted (1.4.1991)by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42,SIF 81:1,2),s. 194(1), Sch. 11 para. 27(b); S.I.1991/344,art. 3(2)

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- C28 S. 175 modified by S.I. 1987/2110, art. 2(2), Sch. 1 para. 5 S. 175 restricted by S.I.1991/351, regs.17,21 S. 175 applied (temp. from 4.5.1995 to 31.3.1996) by S.I. 1995/1042, art. 4(1) S. 175 extended (19.9.1995) by 1995 c. 25, ss. 63(5), 125(2), Sch. 7 para. 11(1) (with ss. 7(6), 115, 117) S. 175 applied (4.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/263, reg. 16(4) S. 175: power to amend or repeal conferred (1.11.2000 (W.) and 19.2.2001 (E.)) by 2000 c. 22, s. 100(4); S.I. 2000/2948, art. 2; S.I. 2001/415, art. 2(b) S. 175 excluded (W.) (9.8.2002) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of County and County Borough Councils and National Park Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1895), reg. 20(3) C29 Ss. 173-175 restricted (E.) (1.5.2003) by The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1021), reg. 34(1)(a)(2) C30 S. 175 disapplied (W.) (29.9.2004) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of Fire Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2555), reg. 20 C31 S. 175 extended (temp.) (22.7.2004) by The Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (Establishment of Conservation Board) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/1777), art. 15(1) S. 175 extended (temp.) (22.7.2004) by The Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (Establishment of Conservation Board) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/1778), art. 15(1) C32 Ss. 173-178 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/467), reg. 14(2) C33 S. 175(3B) applied (with modifications) (23.11.1995) by S.I. 1995/2803, art. 18, Sch. 5 para. 1 S. 175(3B) applied (with modifications) (4.6.1996) by S.I. 1996/1243, art. 18, Sch. 5 Pt. I para. 1 S. 175(3B) applied (with modifications) (24.3.2005) by S.I. 2005/421, art. 16, Sch. 3 para. 1(1)
- C34 S. 175(3B) applied (24.3.2010) by The South Downs National Park Authority (Establishment) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/497), art. 1, Sch. 3 para. 1(1)
- C35 S. 175(3B) applied (1.7.2015) by The National Park Authorities (England) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/770), art. 1, Sch. 3 para. 1

# 176 Payment of expenses of official and courtesy visits, etc.

[<sup>F1</sup>(1) Subject to subsection (2) below, a local authority may—

- (a) defray any travelling or other expenses reasonably incurred by or on behalf of any members in making official and courtesy visits, whether inside or outside the United Kingdom, on behalf of the authority;
- (b) defray any expenses incurred in the reception and entertainment by way of official courtesy of distinguished persons visiting the area of the authority and persons representative of or connected with local government or other public

services whether inside or outside the United Kingdom and in the supply of information to any such persons.

- (2) In the case of a visit within the United Kingdom, the amount defrayed under this section by a local authority in respect of the expenses of any member of the authority in making a visit within the United Kingdom shall not exceed the payments which he would have been entitled to receive by way of travelling allowance or subsistence allowance under section 174 above if the making of the visit had been an approved duty of that member.
- [<sup>F21</sup>(3) In this section "local authority" includes a joint authority, [<sup>F22</sup>an economic prosperity board, [<sup>F23</sup>a combined authority and a combined county authority]]<sup>F24</sup>...<sup>F25</sup>.....]]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Ss. 173-178 repealed (W.) (30.4.2012) by Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 4), s. 178(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(3), Sch. 4 Pt. F; S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(q)(2)(m)
- F21 S. 176(3) inserted by Local Government Act 1985 (c. 51, SIF 81:1), s. 84, Sch. 14 para. 18
- F22 Words in s. 176(3) inserted (17.12.2009) by Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 (c. 20), ss. 119, 148(6), Sch. 6 para. 23; S.I. 2009/3318, art. 2(c)
- **F23** Words in s. 176(3) substituted (26.12.2023) by Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023 (c. 55), s. 255(2)(c), Sch. 4 para. 36 (with s. 247)
- F24 Words in s. 176(3) omitted (26.5.2015) by virtue of Deregulation Act 2015 (c. 20), s. 115(7), Sch. 13 para. 6(7)(j); S.I. 2015/994, art. 6(g)
- F25 Words in s. 176(3) omitted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 1.4.2018 in so far as not already in force) by virtue of Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), Sch. 2 para. 45(b); S.I. 2018/227, reg. 4(c)

- C36 S. 176 restricted by S.I. 1991/351, reg. 21 S. 176 modified (7.8.1991) by S.I. 1991/1773, art. 8(2), Sch. 2 S. 176: certain functions transferred (7.8.1991) by S.I. 1991/1773, art. 8, Sch. 2 S. 176 modified (10.1.1992) by S.I. 1991/2913, art. 8(2), Sch. 2 S. 176: certain functions transferred (10.1.1992) by S.I. 1991/2913, art. 8, Sch. 2 S. 176 applied (temp. from 4.5.1995 to 31.3.1996) by S.I. 1995/1042, art. 4(1) S. 176 extended (19.9.1995) by 1995 c. 25, ss. 63(5), 125(2), Sch. 7 para. 11(1) (with ss. 7(6), 115, 117) S. 176 applied (4.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/263, reg. 16(4) S. 176: power to amend or repeal conferred (1.11.2000 (W.) and 19.2.2001 (E.)) by 2000 c. 22, s. 100(4); S.I. 2000/2948, art. 2; S.I. 2001/415, art. 2(b) S. 176 restricted (W.) (9.8.2002) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of County and County Borough Councils and National Park Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1895), reg. 16(2) S. 176 restricted (W.) (1.4.2003) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of Community Councils) (Wales) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/895), reg. 12(2) C37 S. 176 extended (temp.) (22.7.2004) by The Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (Establishment of Conservation Board) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/1777), art. 15(1) S. 176 extended (temp.) (22.7.2004) by The Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (Establishment of Conservation Board) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/1778), art. 15(1) C38 Ss. 173-178 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/467), reg. 14(2)
- C38 Ss. 1/3-1/8 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.1. 2009/467), reg. 14(2)
- **C39** S. 176 applied (with modifications) (E.) (24.3.2011) by The Hull and Goole Port Health Authority Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/939), arts. 1(1), 7, **Sch. 1**

- C40 S. 176(1)(a) restricted (E.) (1.5.2003) by The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1021), reg. 34(1)(b)(2)
- C41 S. 176(2) applied (with modifications) (W.) (9.8.2002) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of County and County Borough Councils and National Park Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1895), reg. 20(4)
- C42 S. 176(2) restricted (E.) (1.5.2003) by The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/1021), reg. 34(1)(b)(2)
- C43 S. 176(3) amended by S.I. 1985/1884, art. 10, Sch. 3 para. 1(*l*)
- C44 S. 176(3) modified by S.I. 1987/2110, art. 2, Sch. 1 para. 3(1)

# 177 Provisions supplementary to sections 173 to 176.

[<sup>F1</sup>[<sup>F26</sup>(1) <sup>F27</sup> ... sections 174 and 175 above apply—

- (a) to the bodies specified in section 21(1) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, except—
  - (i) the Common Council;
  - (ii) a body established pursuant to an order under section 67 of the Local Government Act 1985 (successors to residuary bodies); and
  - (iii) without prejudice to section 265 below, the Council of the Isles of Scilly;
- (b) to any prescribed body on which a body to which those sections apply by virtue of paragraph (a) above is represented; and
- (c) to any parish or community council.]

[<sup>F28</sup>(1A) Subsection (1) has effect without prejudice to the operation of—

- (a) regulations made by virtue of section 94(5C) or 95(3B) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (allowances for admission appeal panels);
- $F^{29}(b)$  ....
- [<sup>F30</sup>(ba) regulations made by virtue of section 51A(8) of the Education Act 2002 (allowances for exclusion review panels: England);]
- and
  - (c) regulations made by virtue of section 52(6) of [<sup>F31</sup>that Act (allowances for exclusion appeal panels: Wales); and].]
- [<sup>F32</sup>(2) In sections 173 to 176 above "approved duty", in relation to a member of a body, means such duties as may be specified in or determined under regulations made by the Secretary of State.]

 $[^{F33}(2A) \dots \dots \dots ]$ 

- (3) For the purposes of sections 173 to 176 above <sup>F34</sup> ... a member of a committee or subcommittee of a local authority or other body mentioned in subsection (1) above shall be deemed to be a member of that body.
- (4) Section 94(5) above shall apply in relation to a member of any body mentioned in subsection (1) above to whom it would not otherwise apply as it applies in relation to a member of a local authority; and no other enactment or instrument shall prevent a member of any such body from taking part in the consideration or determination of any allowance or other payment under any of the provisions of sections 173 to 176 above [<sup>F35</sup>or under any scheme made by virtue of section 18 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989].

#### **Textual Amendments**

- **F1** Ss. 173-178 repealed (W.) (30.4.2012) by Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 4), s. 178(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(3), **Sch. 4 Pt. F**; S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(q)(2)(m)
- F26 S. 177(1) substituted (1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(1), Sch.11 para. 28(2); S.I. 1991/344, art. 3(2) (with saving in Sch. para. 1(1)(b))
- F27 Words in s. 177(1) repealed (1.9.1999) by 1998 c. 31, s. 140(1)(3), Sch. 30 para. 3(2), Sch. 31 (with ss. 138(9), 144(6)); S.I. 1999/2323, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
- F28 S. 177(1A) substituted (20.1.2003 for E. and 31.5.2005 for W.) by Education Act 2002 (c. 32), ss. 215(1), 216(4), Sch. 21 para. 1 (with ss. 210(8), 214(4)); S.I. 2002/2952, art. 2; S.I. 2005/1395, art. 4 Sch.
- F29 S. 177(1A)(b) repealed (25.5.2007) by Education and Inspections Act 2006 (c. 40), ss. 30, 184, 188, Sch. 3 para. 1, Sch. 18 Pt. 3; S.I. 2007/935, art. 7(g)(m)(o)(q)
- F30 S. 177(1A)(ba) inserted (1.9.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 1 para. 1(a); S.I. 2012/1087, art. 3 (with art. 4)
- F31 Words in s. 177(1A)(c) substituted (1.9.2012) by Education Act 2011 (c. 21), s. 82(3), Sch. 1 para. 1(b); S.I. 2012/1087, art. 3 (with art. 4)
- F32 Words in s.177(2) substituted (16.1.1990 to the extent mentioned in S.I.1989/2445, art.4 otherwise 1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(1), Sch. 11 para. 28(3); S.I. 1991/344, art. 3(2)
- **F33** S.177(2A) repealed (1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(4), Sch. 12 Pt. II; S.I. 1991/344, art. 3(2)
- **F34** Words in S.177(3) repealed (1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c.42, SIF 81:1), s. 194(4), **Sch. 12 Pt. II**; S.I. 1991/344, **art. 3(2)**
- F35 S.177(4):Words inserted by Local Government And Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), ss. 194(1),
   Sch. 11 para. 28(4)
- F36 S. 177(5) repealed (1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42,SIF 81:1), s. 194(4),
   Sch. 12 Pt. II; S.I. 1991/344, art. 3(2)

- C45 S. 177: In the application of this Act to the Isles of Scilly "and" is inserted at the end of s. 177(1)(a)(i) and the words in s.177(1)(a) after "residuary bodies)" are omitted (1.4.1991) by virtue of S.I.1991/446, art.2
- C46 S. 177 modified by S.I.1985/1884, art.10, Sch.3 para. 3(b)
  - S. 177 applied (temp. from 4.5.1995 to 31.3.1996) by S.I. 1995/1042, art. 4(1)
  - S. 177 applied (4.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/263, reg. 16(4)
  - S. 177 applied (with modifications) (4.6.1996) by S.I. 1996/1243, art. 18, Sch. 5 Pt. I para. 2
- C47 S. 177 modified (1.4.1999) by S.I. 1999/1016, art. 6, Sch. 4 para. 9
  - S. 177: power to amend or repeal conferred (1.11.2000 (W.) and 19.2.2001 (E.)) by 2000 c. 22, s. 100(4); S.I. 2000/2948, art. 2; S.I. 2001/415, art. 2(b)
    - S. 177 excluded (W.) (9.8.2002) by The Local Authorities (Allowances for Members of County and County Borough Councils and National Park Authorities) (Wales) Regulations 2002 (S.I. 2002/1895), reg. 20(3)
- C48 Ss. 173-178 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/467), reg. 14(2)
- C49 S. 177(1) modified (24.3.2010) by The South Downs National Park Authority (Establishment) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/497), art. 1, Sch. 3 para. 1(2)
- C50 S. 177(1)(b) applied (with modifications) (23.11.1995) by S.I. 1995/2803, art. 18, Sch. 5 para. 2
   S. 177(1)(b) applied (with modifications) (24.3.2005) by S.I. 2005/421, art. 16, Sch. 3 para. 1(2)

C51 S. 177(1)(b) applied (with modifications) (1.7.2015) by The National Park Authorities (England) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/770), art. 1, Sch. 3 para. 2

<sup>F37</sup>177A.....

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F37** S.177A repealed (1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1),s.194(4), Sch.12 Pt.II;S.I.1991/344, art.3(2)

### 178 **Regulations as to allowances.**

- [<sup>F1</sup>(1) The Secretary of State may make regulations as to the manner in which sections 173 to 176 <sup>F38</sup>... above are to be administered, and in particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provision, may make regulations—
  - (a) providing for the avoidance of duplication in payments under those sections, or between payments under any of those sections and any other Act, and for the determination of the body or bodies by whom any payments under those sections are to be made, and, where such payments are to be made by more than one body, for the apportionment between those bodies of the sums payable;
  - (b) specifying the forms to be used and the particulars to be provided for the purpose of claiming payments under those sections;
  - (c) providing for the publication by a body to which sections 173 to 175 above apply, in the minutes of that body or otherwise, of details of such payments.
  - (2) A statutory instrument containing regulations under section 173 [<sup>F39</sup>or 177] above or this section shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Ss. 173-178 repealed (W.) (30.4.2012) by Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 (nawm 4), s. 178(3), Sch. 3 para. 1(3), Sch. 4 Pt. F; S.I. 2012/1187, art. 2(1)(q)(2)(m)
- **F38** Words in s.178(1) repealed (1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (c. 42, SIF 81:1), s.194(4), Sch. 12 Pt. II; S.I. 1991/344, art. 3(2)
- **F39** Words in s. 178(2) substituted (1.4.1991) by Local Government and Housing Act 1989(c. 42,SIF 81:1),s.194(1), Sch.11 para. 29; S.I.1991/344,art.3(2)

- C52 S. 178 applied (28.3.2008) by The Bedfordshire (Structural Changes) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/907), art. 20(6)
- C53 S. 178 applied (5.3.2008) by The Cheshire (Structural Changes) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/634), art. 9(8)
- C54 S. 178 applied (4.3.1996) by S.I. 1996/263, reg. 16(4)
  - S. 178 applied (*temp.* from 4.5.1995 to 31.3.1996) by S.I. 1995/1042, art. 4(1)
  - S. 178: power to amend or repeal conferred (1.11.2000 (W.) and 19.2.2001 (E.) by 2000 c. 22, s. 100(4); S.I. 2000/2948, art. 2; S.I. 2001/415, art. 2(b)
- C55 Ss. 173-178 applied (1.4.2009) by The Charter Trustees Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/467), reg. 14(2)
- C56 S. 178 applied (25.5.2018) by The East Suffolk (Local Government Changes) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/640), arts. 1, 17(1) Table

- C57 S. 178 applied (25.5.2018) by The West Suffolk (Local Government Changes) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/639), arts. 1, 17(1) Table
- C58 S. 178 applied (26.5.2018) by The Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole (Structural Changes) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/648), arts. 1, **36(1)**
- C59 S. 178 applied (26.5.2018) by The Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole (Structural Changes) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/648), arts. 1, 21(1)
- C60 S. 178 applied (26.5.2018) by The Somerset West and Taunton (Local Government Changes) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/649), arts. 1, 17(1) Table
- C61 S. 178 applied (23.5.2019) by The Buckinghamshire (Structural Changes) Order 2019 (S.I. 2019/957), arts. 1, 15(1)
- C62 S. 178 applied (14.2.2020) by The Northamptonshire (Structural Changes) Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/156), arts. 1, 17(1)
- C63 S. 178 applied (18.3.2022) by The Cumbria (Structural Changes) Order 2022 (S.I. 2022/331), arts. 1(1), 18(1)

# **Changes to legislation:**

Local Government Act 1972, Cross Heading: Allowances to members of local authorities and other bodies is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 26 May 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

View outstanding changes

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:** Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 80(3B) omitted by 2021 asc 1 Sch. 2 para. 1(3)(c)
- s. 101(6ZA) inserted by 2023 c. 55 Sch. 12 para. 2
- s. 123(2C) inserted by 2023 c. 55 s. 75
- s. 131(2)(n) and word inserted by 2023 asc 3 Sch. 13 para. 16