STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 1021

The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003

PART 5

PARISH COUNCILS

Parish travelling and subsistence allowance

26.—(1) An authority may pay to its members allowances in respect of travelling and subsistence ("parish travelling and subsistence allowance"), including an allowance in respect of travel by bicycle or by any other non-motorised form of transport, undertaken or incurred in connection with the performance of any duty within one or more of the following categories—

- (a) the attendance at a meeting of the authority or of any committee or sub-committee of the authority, or of any other body to which the authority makes appointments or nominations, or of any committee or sub-committee of such a body;
- (b) the attendance at a meeting of any association of authorities of which the authority is a member;
- (c) the performance of any duty in pursuance of any standing order made under section 135 of the Local Government Act 1972 requiring a member or members to be present while tender documents are opened;
- (d) the performance of any duty in connection with the discharge of any function of the authority conferred by or under any enactment and empowering or requiring the authority to inspect or authorise the inspection of premises; and
- (e) the carrying out of any other duty approved by the authority, or any duty of a class so approved, for the purpose of, or in connection with, the discharge of the functions of the authority or of any of its committees or sub-committees.

(2) Where a member is suspended or partially suspended from his responsibilities or duties as a member of an authority in accordance with Part III of the Local Government Act 2000 or regulations made under that Part, any parish travelling and subsistence allowance payable to him in respect of the responsibilities or duties from which he is suspended or partially suspended may be withheld by the authority.

(3) An authority may require that where payment of travelling and subsistence allowance has already been made in respect of any period during which the member concerned is—

- (a) suspended or partially suspended from his responsibilities or duties as a member of the authority in accordance with Part III of the Local Government Act 2000 or regulations made under that Part;
- (b) ceases to be a member of the authority; or
- (c) is in any other way not entitled to receive the allowance in respect of that period,

such part of the allowance as relates to any such period shall be repaid to the authority.

(4) An authority may not make any payment, and a member is not entitled to receive any payment, under the provisions of this regulation in respect of any period prior to 30th September 2003 if payment is made, in respect of any travelling and subsistence expenses incurred by the member during that same period, under any of the provisions referred to in regulation 34(1).