

January to June 2011

1. Parliamentary Assistance Allowance

This allowance is for payment to Employees, Self Employed Service Providers and Accredited Assistants who support the work of the MEP. Any part of this allowance not used remains in the EU budget.

Contracts for all are lodged for approval with the Parliament and held by them. The Parliament makes the payment for employees to the Paying Agent, who deduct income tax and national insurance before making the net payment to the employee. Self employed service providers have to provide invoices for approval firstly by the Paying Agent and then the Parliament, who makes the payment directly to them. Any staff based in Brussels are known as accredited assistants and are paid direct by the Parliament. At no time in any of these cases does any money go into the MEPs bank account.

Position	Full or Part time	Where based
MEP's Political Assistant	Full time	UK
MEP's Senior Researcher	Full time	UK
MEP's Personal Assistant	Full time	UK, Brussels, Strasbourg - as required
MEP's Constituency Representative	Part time	UK
MEP's Regional Press Officer	Full time	UK
MEP's Website host	Part time	UK

Family Members paid - None

Name of Paying Agent

Stephenson Smart, Chartered Accountants

2. General Expenditure Allowance

This allowance covers the cost of carrying out the duties of an MEP not covered by other allowances, including running an office and associated expenditure. All costs incurred meet the published Parliamentary rules.

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Office management and running costs	£9,000.00
Office equipment	£300.00
Communication costs	£5,000.00
Stationery , periodicals, subscriptions	£2,500.00
Travel and related costs	£0.00
Representation, meetings and briefings	£250.00
	£17,350

3. Travel to and from Parliament (Brussels and Strasbourg)

Number of return journeys	17
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4. Daily Subsistence Allowance

A fixed allowance is paid for days attended at the parliament to cover the cost of hotels, meals and any other incidental costs

Number of days	42
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David Campbell Bannerman returned to the Conservative Party in May 2011. This report follows the UKIP reporting style. Future reports will be in the standard Conservative style.