Dunsford Parish Council: Expenses Policy

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Dunsford Parish Council (the Council) will make reimbursement for all or some of the expenses the Clerk and Councillors may incur on its behalf when incurred in performing the duties required by the Council.

All claims are to be made promptly to the Clerk (within 2 months of expenditure) and where relevant MUST be accompanied by a receipt. Councillors may be reimbursed for purchases made on behalf of the Parish Council- made with the mandate and prior approval of the Council.

1. Clerk's Expenses

The Clerk will be able to claim the following expenses:

- Travelling and associated travel expenses on journeys on council business to include mileage at the maximum tax-free rate laid down by HMRC, currently £0.45/mile, and parking.
- Subsistence which may include overnight accommodation and meals incurred in the performance of Council business ("other expenses") provided that the other expenses have been approved by the Council and receipted.
- Contribution towards the cost of computer or other office equipment, as limited by the Clerk's Contract.
- Stationery, postage and printing costs and other office consumables.
- Connection and rental of telephone line and internet/broadband and the cost of telephone calls made by the Clerk from home on council business, as limited by the Clerk's Contract.
- Reasonable sums to cover the extra costs of insurance, heating, lighting and electricity arising directly from the Clerk's use of home for council business, as limited by the Clerk's Contract.

2. Councillor's Expenses

Parish Councillors are unpaid and do not receive an annual allowance. Councillors may be reimbursed for expenses for travel and subsistence on Council business outside the Council's area:

- Travelling and associated expenses on journeys on Council business to include mileage at the maximum tax-free rate laid down by HMRC, currently £0.45/mile, and parking.
- For the purpose of making mileage claims, councillors are permitted to claim for "allowable journeys" only, made with the mandate and prior approval of the Council.

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