

Jean Lambert MEP expenses summary

January - June 2011

Staffing costs

The Parliamentary allowance covers Jean's staffing costs. Each MEP can claim up to a maximum monthly allowance of 21,209 euros per month for staffing and associated costs such as pension, training, insurance, tax, and national insurance. For the above period, Jean's team consisted of:

Position	Post	Location
Constituency Coordinator	Full time	UK
Media Officer	Full time	UK
Constituency Casework Assistant	4 days per week	UK
Parliamentary Assistant	Full time	Brussels
Intern (receives expenses allowance not salary)	Full time	Brussels
Intern (receives expenses allowance not salary)	When Strasbourg plenary is in session	Strasbourg

Staff pay is agreed within the following pay bands.

Pay Band		Salary 2011, £
A	bottom	17,432
	top	21,245
B	bottom	20,155
	top	25,058
C	bottom	23,968
	top	27,237

All London based staff receive an additional London weighting of £5,000 per annum pro rata.

Office costs

General Allowance is claimed for Jean's offices' running costs. During the above period Jean received 4,299 euros a month. Any money that is not used is returned to the Parliament. Provisional figures for Jean's General Allowance spending for the time period specified are as follows:

General Allowance Jan-Jun 2011	Provisional expenditure
Stationary, printing, copying, postage & courier	£ 1,754.40
Phones, internet, website & IT costs	£ 4,618.00
Press, publications & subscriptions	£ 2,048.45
Office rent, rates, utilities & running costs	£ 7,713.04
Bank, legal & audit charges	£ 633.67
Meetings & conference costs	£ 407.37
Brussels office expenses and miscellaneous	£ 36.76

All General Allowance receipts for £50 or above are published. Receipts for £20 and over are also available on request. Figures are provision - final figures will be published in the end of year report.

Travel

Jean claims for her travel between her constituency and the European Parliament in Brussels. She also has to travel to Strasbourg approximately once a month to attend the European Parliament’s plenary voting sessions. The Parliament covers all these journeys. For the six-month period specified Jean has claimed for:

Return journeys to Parliament	No of journeys
Brussels	15
Strasbourg	6

The European Parliament also pays expenses for other parliamentary travel such as travel within the constituency and visiting other countries on parliamentary delegation visits. Jean usually comes back to her London constituency once a week. For the six-month period specified Jean has claimed for:

Travel	Amount claimed
Travel within the region and in the UK	£39.40
Other travel: additional travel expenses	none

Food & accommodation

When Jean is away from her constituency on Parliamentary business in Brussels or Strasbourg she can claim a daily subsistence allowance to cover her accommodation and food. For the six-month period specified Jean has claimed for:

Number of days subsistence claimed	40 full days and 28.5 half-days
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