## Committee on Standards in Public Life Fees and expenses

- 1. Independent members of the Committee on Standards in Public Life may claim £240 for each day they work on Committee business and may claim for travel expenses incurred.
- The political members of the Committee do not receive any fees or expenses.

## **Rail Travel**

- 3. In line with Cabinet Office guidance, when members are travelling by rail, they must always travel:
  - standard or economy class, or
  - via the lowest fare (even if this is 1st class).
- 4. In certain circumstances it may be acceptable to choose a more expensive option if it offers greater flexibility.

## Air Travel

- 5. If air travel is necessary, members are asked to abide by the Cabinet Office guidelines. Air travel makes a significant contribution to climate change, and can be more expensive than surface travel. Members should carefully consider the need, the full cost (including travel between airports and offices) and the travel alternatives before booking flights.
  - If the flight is less than 5 hours only an economy ticket is permitted.
  - If the flight is greater than 5 hours a premium economy ticket may be purchased.
  - If the flight is greater than 5 hours and a premium economy ticket is not available, business class may be purchased.

## **Accommodation**

- 6. When accommodation is required, every effort should be made to stay within Cabinet Office nightly rates.
- 7. Propriety must always be exercised when claiming reimbursement.

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