Participation payment policy

Participation payments for members of the public involved as volunteer partners in research include an acknowledgement payment for the time spent as well as any expenses incurred.

Participation payments : We usually make payments for compensation of time as below.

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| Casual meeting up to one hour.  *(this type of meeting will not require any preparatory work)* | £15 |
| Formal meeting up to half day  (this type of meeting may require a small amount of preparation work) | £30 |
| Formal meeting full day  (this type of meeting may require a small amount of preparation work) | £60 |
| Formal meeting up to half day with significant preparatory work  (this type of meeting will require a significant amount of preparation work either before or after the meeting) | £75 |
| Formal meeting full day with significant preparatory work  (this type of meeting will require a significant amount of preparation work either before or after the meeting) | £150 |
| Commenting on a Lay Summary  (usually a one page document) | £10 |
| Additional payment for online Meetings  (to cover data usage for online meetings) | £5 |

Expenses: include travel and subsistence and may include childcare but always check this with the team before making any arrangements.

Travel: Mileage will be calculated by the most direct route. No receipt is needed to claim journeys taken in your own vehicle.

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| Car Journeys | 45p per mile (first 100 miles)  25p per miles (over 100 miles on same journey)  5p per mile (car sharing |
| Motorcycle Journeys | 24p per mile (first 100 miles)  9p per mile (over 100 miles on same journey) |
| Bicycle Journeys | 20p per mile |
| Bus/Train/Taxi journeys | Tickets need to be produced for reimbursement and in a timely manner, ensuring the route and or cost are legible and 1st class travel is not permitted unless agreed beforehand with the team. |

## Childcare

Childcare should always be agreed by the involvement team in advance. It can only be reimbursed if you can provide a receipt from a registered childcare provider. Receipts must be dated for the day of the meeting only. If unsure, please contact the team before the meeting.

## Enablers

Enablers for someone who has an official ‘personal budget’ and who use enablers to participate in meeting can only be reimbursed if you provide a receipt from a registered provider.

## Subsistence Rates

Claims for subsistence, including hotel stays, should always be agreed by the team in advance of travel for each meeting.

Reimbursement for breakfast is only available if you are required to leave home before 0730am. Evening meal reimbursement is only available if you are required to arrive home after 2030. Receipts must be provided for all subsistence claims.

## RATES

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| **Breakfast** | **Lunch** | **Evening Meal** | **Bed & Breakfast** |
| £10.00 | £10.00 | £20.00 | £85.00 Outside London |
| £227.00 Within London |

There are some instances where we would not pay an acknowledgement payment or travel expenses and these are listed below.

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| **Activity** | **Participant payment** | **Travel/subsistence** | **Fees** |
| Internal training | Not offered | Reimbursed | Free |
| University of Exeter Medical School  seminars | Not offered | Not normally reimbursed | Free |
| External Training | Not offered | Not normally reimbursed | Not normally paid |
| University of Exeter  conferences | Only offered if presenting on behalf *group* | Reimbursed | Costs paid |
| External conference | Only offered if presenting on behalf of *group* | Only reimbursed if representing *group* | Only paid if representing *group* |