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## **QUESTIONS AT ANY TIME TO CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDERS**

<b>Question From:</b>	County Councillor Beverely Baynham
<b>Subject:</b>	Increase staff travel allowance
<b>Question To:</b>	County Councillor James Gibson-Watt, Leader and Cabinet Member for an Open and Transparent Powys and County Councillor David Thomas Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Transformation

### **Question:**

Following the Leader's announcement at the Full Council meeting on the 13th of October, stating the staff travel allowance is being increased to 50 pence per mile, can the Leader and Portfolio Holder for finance please confirm when this increase will be implemented and the costing for doing so.

The HMRC Approved Milage Allowance rates for 2022/23 is 45 pence per mile, anything paid over this amount is classed as earnings and therefore subject to the necessary National Insurance deductions. As Benefits in Kind each member of staff claiming mileage will need to be reported on a P11D.

Could you please confirm if employees claiming travel at the new rate will be subject to HMRC statutory deductions and if so at what cost to the employee and Powys County Council.

Whilst I appreciate fuel costs have increased dramatically will the staff who submit travel claims be at a financial disadvantage due to the cap on the AMAP's by HMRC?