

AMAP CAMPAIGN BRIEFING

OUR PROPOSAL

The [Approved Mileage Allowance Payment](#) (AMAP) – which is used by employers and organisations to reimburse employees and volunteers for the use of their own vehicles in the course of their duties without any tax or benefit implications and any additional, unnecessary red tape – has remained unchanged and unreviewed since 2012.

We are calling on HM Treasury to conduct a [fair, transparent and regular review of the AMAP](#) to deliver an inflationary uplift to the 2012 rate, which will support Community Transport, defend volunteering, strengthen communities and protect the NHS.

BENEFITS & IMPACT

For many employees and volunteers, the 2012 AMAP rate (45p per mile for the first 10,000 miles, 25p per mile thereafter and 5p per passenger) no longer covers the real costs of motoring. [According to the RAC](#), the cost of motoring (including fuel) increased by 39.5% between December 2012 and November 2022. A decade on, the 2012 AMAP rate is archaic, untenable and no longer fit for purpose as today's cost-of-living crisis hits employee take-home pay and threatens to make volunteering unaffordable.

Most Community Transport operators (65%) are reporting lower levels of volunteer recruitment and retention due to soaring fuel costs. Many have had to cut back services (32%) or raise fares (65%). Fewer Community Transport services and volunteers will mean more missed appointments and delayed discharge (especially among older and disabled people), longer NHS waiting lists and greater pressure on public services.

OUR COALITION

The campaign is led by the [Community Transport Association](#) (CTA) and supported by the [National Council for Voluntary Organisations](#) (NCVO), [Volunteering Matters](#), the [Royal Voluntary Service](#), [Communities 1st](#), [Volunteer Now](#), the [Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations](#) (SCVO), [Volunteer Scotland](#), the [Wales Council for Voluntary Action](#) (WCVA) and the [Scottish Volunteering Forum](#).

Together, we represent more than 20 million volunteers in local communities across the UK – including 1.7 million volunteers who are directly involved in transport-related volunteering, such as Community Transport.

