

Bolsover District Council

Council

2 March 2016

Members' Allowances

Report No ADGMO/--/15-16/MK of the Assistant Director – Governance and Monitoring Officer

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Purpose of the Report

- To advise of the Members' Allowance Scheme for 2016/17.

1 Report Details

- 1.1 This report is to set the Members' Allowance Scheme for the year from 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016 in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003. Regulation 10 (1) and 10 (2) requires authorities to make their Members' Allowance Scheme before the beginning of the year to which it relates.
- 1.2 Under the regulations the Scheme cannot be made or amended without the Authority having regard to the recommendations of an Independent Remuneration Panel. This report does not make any changes to the basis of the scheme which has previously been agreed.
- 1.3 A copy of the proposed new Scheme is attached at Appendix A. Any necessary changes are highlighted as tracked changes. Changes include removal of provisions for members to pay into the Local Government Pension Scheme which was repealed by Government last year.

2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation

- 2.1 To comply with the requirements of legislation.

3 Consultation and Equality Impact

- 3.1 None.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 None.

5 **Implications**

5.1 **Finance and Risk Implications**

5.1.1 The financial implications of this report have been taken into account in the budget process.

5.2 **Legal Implications including Data Protection**

5.2.1 The Local Authorities (Members Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 sets out the statutory principles governing the creation of Members Allowance Schemes and Independent Remuneration Panels.

5.3 **Human Resources Implications**

5.3.1 None.

6 **Recommendations**

6.1 That the Members' Allowance Scheme for the year 2014/15 be implemented with effect from 1 April 2016 in accordance with the rates set out in this report.

6.2 That the scheme be published in accordance with the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

6.3 That the Members' Allowance Scheme contained within the Council's Constitution is updated to reflect the changes approved in this report as set out in Appendix A.

6.4 That the details of the Members' Allowance Scheme as set out in Appendix A are updated on the Council's Web page.

7 **Decision Information**

Is the decision a Key Decision? (A Key Decision is one which results in income or expenditure to the Council of £50,000 or more or which has a significant impact on two or more District wards)	No
District Wards Affected	N/A
Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework	None

8 **Document Information**

Appendix No	Title
N/A	

Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)	
N/A	
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