

**Bolsover District Council**

**Council**

**20<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**Draft Pay Policy Statement 2018/19**

**Report of Councillor D McGregor, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance**

This report is public

**Purpose of the Report**

- To ask Council to consider and approve for publication the draft Pay Policy Statement attached at **Appendix One**.

**1 Report Details**

- 1.1 The first Pay Policy Statement was produced in 2012 for Bolsover District Council, and this is updated annually, taking account of available guidance.
- 1.2 The Pay Policy Statement for the Council has now been reviewed and updated for 2018/19.
- 1.3 The information contained within the original Pay Policy Statement was collated from a variety of different sources, but there was no new information that had not been through an appropriate process of approval at the Council.
- 1.4 Whilst some guidance was provided on the nature of the information that should be contained within the Pay Policy Statement, much was left to individual Councils in terms of style and content.
- 1.5 The draft Pay Policy includes the application of the recently approved pay award, agreed nationally for 2018/19. While we still await agreement of the new chief officer pay scales, the 2% increase proposal has been included in the report.
- 1.6 Amendments, reflective of the pay award for 2018/19 have been made to update the document and other minor amendments and these are shown in the attached appendix as tracked changes.

**2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation**

- 2.1 Under the Localism Act 2011 the Council is required to publish a pay policy statement, with particular reference to the pay of its chief officers and its lowest paid employees.

### **3 Consultation and Equality Impact**

3.1 None arising from the report.

### **4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

4.1 N/A

### **5 Implications**

#### **5.1 Finance and Risk Implications**

None arising from the report.

#### **5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection**

‘Relevant authorities’ as defined by the Localism Act 2011 are required to prepare a pay policy statement for each financial year. This statement must set out an authority’s approach to a range of issues relating to the pay of its workforce, particularly its chief officers and its lowest paid employees.

An authority’s pay policy statement must be published on the authority’s website, and in any other manner that the authority thinks appropriate, in order to be accessible for citizens and enable local taxpayers to take an informed view of whether local decisions on all aspects of remuneration are fair and make best use of public funds.

#### **5.3 Human Resources Implications**

None arising from the report.

### **6 Recommendations**

6.1 That Council consider and approve for publication the draft Pay Policy Statement 2018/19 attached at Appendix One.

### **7 Decision Information**

<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: <i>BDC: Revenue - £75,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Capital - £150,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>No</p>
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<p>NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Capital - £250,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please indicate which threshold applies</p>	
<b>District Wards Affected</b>	
<b>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</b>	

## 8 Document Information

Appendix No	Title	
1	Draft Pay Policy Statement 2018/19	
<p><b>Background Papers</b> (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)</p>		
None		
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