

BOLSOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minute Extract

Minute Extract from a meeting of the Bolsover District Council held in the Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne, on Monday, 29 March 2017 at 10:00 hours.

0797. SCHEME OF MEMBERS' ALLOWANCE

At the commencement of this item, all Members present indicated a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest as recipients of payments under the Scheme of Members' Allowances. As indicated earlier, each had received a dispensation to discuss and vote in relation to this matter.

Council considered the report of the Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) who had met and discussed at length all the information presented within Appendix 2 to the report along with details of previous Members' Allowance Reviews. They were given a clear remit for their review:

- To consider whether the Special Responsibility Allowances (SRA) for the Chair and Vice Chair of Licensing were adequate; and
- To consider whether all allowances should be index linked to staff salaries.

The covering report of the Joint Assistant Director – Governance and Monitoring Officer set out the financial implications around options for Members' consideration as well as details of the recommendations made.

Alternative recommendations were presented to the meeting by Cllr S W Fritchley and duly seconded by Cllr A M Syrett to raise the allowance of the Chair and Vice Chair of Licensing Committee to be equal with the SRA for that of the Chair and Vice Chair of Scrutiny Committees and that no further changes be made to the Members' Allowance Scheme.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) due to the burgeoning quasi-judicial responsibilities of the Bolsover District Council Licensing Committee, the Chairman and Vice Chairman each receive an SRA equivalent to that of a Scrutiny Committee;
- (b) no further changes be made to the current Members' Allowance Scheme; and
- (c) changes be effective from 1 April 2017.

(Joint Assistant Director – Governance and Monitoring Officer)