

**COUNCIL
24 FEBRUARY 2016**

Members' Allowances Scheme 2016/17 and Appointment of Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP)

Motion to be moved by the Leader

- A. That the IRP's report for 2016/17, attached at Appendix 2, be received and noted.
- B. That in accordance with paragraph 4 of the IRP's report, a Members Allowance Scheme be made, effective from 1 April 2016 incorporating a Basic Allowance of £4,842 (no increase) and provision for SRA payments, as detailed on the attached Schedule overleaf, which includes a new Special Responsibility Allowance (SRA) of 50%, i.e. £2421, for the Chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee, a uniform rate of SRA of 100% for Cabinet Members and a reduced SRA for the Chairman of Planning Committee of 100% (from 120%), i.e. £4842 (from £5,810).
- C. That the Basic Allowance of £4,842 be fixed for a 4 year period until 31 March 2020, as set out in paragraph 4.2 of the IRP's report, the Council being able to ask the IRP to consider an increase in any year and to give specific reasons for the request.
- D. That the Interim Borough Solicitor update and publish the Members' Allowances Scheme for the period commencing 1 April 2016, such scheme to be incorporated into the Constitution.
- E. That the Membership of the IRP for 2016/17 and the respective terms of office be noted and endorsed as follows:

Mrs G Stanley (Chairman)	1 May 2018
Mr J Boardman	1 May 2017
Mr I Thompson	1 May 2019

SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY ALLOWANCES

The following posts are specified as having special responsibilities in respect of which Special Responsibility Allowances are payable under Paragraph 4, in the amounts shown for each post.

Area of Special Responsibility	Basis of Allowance (as percentage of Basic Allowance)	Amount of Allowance (£)
Leader	250%	12,105
Deputy Leader	150%	7,263
Cabinet Member (up to 8)	100%	4,842
Opposition Group Leader (if Group comprises 5 or more Members)	70%	3,389
Opposition Group Deputy Leader (if Group comprises 5 or more Members)	35%	1,694
Chairman - Overview & Scrutiny Committee	50%	2,421
Chairman - Licensing & Appeals Committee	50%	2,421
Chairman – Licensing & Gambling Committee	50%	2,421
Chairman – Planning Committee	100%	4,842
Chairman – Audit & Governance Committee	50%	2,421