

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF TRAFFORD COUNCIL

RECOMMENDATIONS IN RELATION TO AMENDMENTS TO THE MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME

1 Introduction

In accordance with the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003 the Panel was convened in June 2015 to make recommendations to the Council in relation to amendments to the Scheme of Members' allowances.

The independent panel comprised:

- Mr. Ralph Rudden, Voluntary Sector
- Sir Bill Moorcroft, Trafford College; and
- Mr Chris Fletcher, Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce

The purpose was to consider the remuneration for the new Lead Member and Shadow Lead Member roles for the Integration of Health and Social Care which were established at the Annual Meeting on the 28 May 2015.

The Panel had previously recommended that Lead Member roles established in 2014 receive a Special Responsibility Allowance of £7,789 for the Lead Member and £1,590 for the Shadow Lead Member.

2. The Panel's Findings

The Panel reviewed the Terms of Reference for the Lead Member portfolio to understand the workload and the scope of the role. They noted that the roles will be important given the devolution agenda in Greater Manchester and the importance of the issue for Trafford Council. They concluded that it would be consistent to treat them in the same way as the other Lead and Shadow Lead roles.

3. Recommendations

The Panel recommend

1. That the Scheme of Members' Allowances for Trafford Council be amended to include a Special Responsibility Allowance of £7,789 for the Lead Member for the Integration of Health and Social Care and £1,590 for the Shadow Lead Member.
2. That the allowances be backdated to the date of appointment of 28 May 2015.

Ralph Rudden
Sir Bill Moorcroft
Chris Fletcher

Panel Members – June 2015