REPORT TO:	COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM: 12
DATE OF MEETING:	19 th JANUARY 2017	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES SCHEME	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	

1.0 <u>Recommendations</u>

1.1 That Members approve the Members' Allowances Scheme attached at Annexe 'A'.

2.0 <u>Purpose of Report</u>

2.1 To put before Members for their approval a scheme of allowances in accordance with the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

3.0 <u>Detail</u>

- 3.1 Members' allowances are governed by the Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003. These Regulations require all local authorities to maintain an Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) to review and provide advice on each Council's Members' allowances.
- 3.2 The Panel met in October 2016 and a report outlining the Panel's recommendations was put to Council on 3rd November 2016. The Members' Allowances scheme has been amended to reflect the recommendations approved by Council.
- 3.3 The amended Members' Allowances Scheme will be effective from the date of this Council meeting.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The cost of the additional Special Responsibility Allowances for the Chairman of the Licensing and Appeals Committee, together with the Audit Sub Committee, is £6,900 per year. This is more than offset by the reduction regarding the ending of the telephone allowance. This will reduce the cost by £7,200 per year. It should be noted that there may be some additional costs with Members able to claim expenses for travel and subsistence and attending Parish Council Meetings. The cost is not known at this stage, although it is likely to be contained in the overall budget for Members' Allowances and Expenses. This will be kept under review and any material implications will be reported to the Finance and Management Committee.

5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 The Council will be complying with the provisions of The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003.

6.0 <u>Community Implications</u>

6.1 None arising directly from this report.

7.0 Background Papers

7.1 Members' Allowances Scheme

Report of the Independent Remuneration Panel