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Report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer

# Report to Council

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> July 2009

### **Subject: Members Allowances**

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
	Equality and Diversity
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report advises Council of the receipt of a report from the Independent Remuneration Panel and asks Council to make a number of changes to the Members' Allowances Scheme.

# 2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Council is required to determine a Members' Allowances Scheme, having regard to recommendations from an Independent Remuneration Panel.
- 2.2 In determining or varying its Members' Allowances Scheme, Council may modify, accept or reject any such recommendations from the Independent Remuneration Panel as it considers appropriate.
- 2.3 Council is advised that the Independent Remuneration Panel published a report in June 2009, a copy of which is attached as an appendix to this report.

# 3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The cost of increasing the allowance payable to Parish members of the Standards Committee, together with increasing the level allowance payable to them, will be £2431pa

### 4.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 4.1 Council is asked to approve the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel as detailed in the attached report, with effect from the beginning of the current municipal year
- 4.2 Council is asked to authorise the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) to make any consequential changes to the Members' Allowances Scheme.