

## Report to COUNCIL

## **Members Allowance Scheme**

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## 1 Background

- 1.1 Every year the Council is required to approve the Members Allowances Scheme. An independent remuneration panel is established to make recommendations on the level of members allowances.
- 1.2 The Panel considered information from the Leader and Leader of the Main Opposition Group on special responsibility duties.
- 1.3 The Panel also considered the members allowances schemes across Greater Manchester Councils.
- 1.4 The Panel made the recommendation that the members allowances for 2019/20 should remain the same as in 2018/19 but with increases linked to the officer pay increase. The relevant officer pay increase for 2019/20 is 2%. It is proposed that subject to the earlier report on District Working being approved, the District Executive Leads should receive the allowance specified in the appendix for District Executive Chairs.

## 2 Recommendations

2.1 Councils are asked to consider the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel.

2.2	Councils are asked to agree a Members Allowance Scheme for 2019/20. Appendix 1 to this report details the proposed scheme based on the Independent Remuneration Panel recommendation.