

Council

15 July 2021

Agenda Item 24

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: IRP Report on Members Allowances – Extract from the proceedings of the Policy & Resources Committee meeting held on the 1 July 2021

Date of Meeting: 15 July 2021

Report of: Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law

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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE**Action Required of Council:**

To consider the report and the recommendations from the Policy & Resources Committee; together with the report of the IRP.

Recommendation:

- (1) That recommendation 3.1 as set out in the IRP report relating to job sharing roles be agreed;
- (2) That Recommendation 3.3 as set out in the attached IRP report relating to an allowance for co-optees who attend committee in a personal capacity be agreed; and
- (3) That the Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law be granted delegated authority to update Council Procedure Rules to reflect the agreement in relation to the job sharing of roles as referred to in paragraph 3.2 of this report and to publish the revised Members Allowances Scheme.

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL
POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

4.00pm 1 JULY 2021

HOVE TOWN HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBER

MINUTE EXTRACT

Present: Councillor Mac Cafferty (Chair) Appich (Joint Opposition Spokesperson) and Bell (Group Spokesperson)

Also present: Dr Anusree Biswas-Sasidharan, Standing Invitee

PART ONE

14 REPORT ON MEMBERS ALLOWANCES - JULY 2021

- 14.1 The Executive Lead Officer for Strategy, Governance & Law introduced the report which outlined the report of the Independent Remuneration Panel and its recommendations on the proposed changes to the Members Allowances Scheme. He noted that the Panel had met to review the Scheme and had received representations from Members both in person and in writing. He noted that the Panel's recommendations were intended to be fair and cost neutral and that whilst the majority had been well received by Members, the Panel recognised that there was no consensus in relation to parking facilities. He also noted that whilst full Council was required to take the Panel's recommendations into account, it was not bound by them.
- 14.2 The Committee welcomed the report and thanked the Panel for their work and noted their recommendations. It was also noted that there was no consensus in regard to the Panel's recommendations and therefore the Chair stated that he would put each recommendation to the vote separately.
- 14.3 The Chair then put the recommendations to the vote and the outcome of these is listed below:
- (i) Recommendation 1 Carried
 - (ii) Recommendation 2 Lost
 - (iii) Recommendation 3 Caried
 - (iv) Recommendation 4 Carried.
- 14.4 **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:**
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