

COUNCIL – 16TH MARCH 2022

SUBJECT: PUBLICATION OF THE PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2022 / 23

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of the report is to seek approval from Council for the publication of the Authority's Pay Policy Statement 2022 / 23.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Pay Policy Statement attached at Appendix 1 contains the full details of the remuneration position for the Council for 2022 / 23. It is a statement of fact.
- 2.2 It is a legislative requirement that this information is published on an annual basis by 31st March each year, once agreed by Council.
- 2.2 The Pay Policy Statement will be published on the Council's Website and will be available for access by members of the public.

3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 Council is asked to agree the attached Pay Policy Statement 2022 / 23 (Version 11) for publication on the Council's website.

4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 The recommendation ensure that the Council complies with legislative requirements by the publication of the Pay Policy 2022 / 23.

5. THE REPORT

5.1 Since 2012, Local Authorities in England and Wales have been required to publish an annual pay policy statement in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 detailing:

- a) The Council's policies towards all aspects and elements of the remuneration of Chief Officers (Chief Officers are as defined in para 5.1 of this policy);
- b) The approach to the publication of, and access to, information relating to all aspects of the remuneration of Chief Officers;
- c) The Council's policy on the remuneration of its lowest paid employees (including the definition adopted and reasons for it);
- d) The relationship between the remuneration of its Chief Officers and other employees.
- 5.2 Further guidance has been issued since this date and in in December 2016, the Staff Commission published "Advice and guidance on the Welsh Government Framework on 'Transparency of Senior Remuneration in the Devolved Welsh Public Sector". This guidance replaced any previous guidance issued under section 40 of the Localism Act 2011.
- 5.3 The provisions which relate to Pay Policy Statement only apply to employees directly appointed and managed by the Council. Employees who are appointed and managed by schools are, therefore, not required to be included within the scope of Pay Policy Statement. This reflects the unique employment legislation position whereby all schools' employees are employed by the Local Authority, but decisions about the appointment and management of such employees are mostly discharged by Head Teachers / Governing Bodies, as appropriate.
- 5.4 The Pay Policy Statement attached at Appendix 1 contains the full details of the remuneration position for the Council for 2022 / 23 that are required to be published under legislation. It is a statement of fact.
- 5.5 There is a legislative requirement that the Pay Policy Statement is published on an annual basis by 31st March each year, once agreed by Council.
- 5.6 The Pay Policy Statement will be published on the Council's Website, and will be available for access by members of the public.
- 5.7 The Localism Act recommends the use of pay multiples as a means of measuring the relationship between pay rates across the workforce and that of senior managers, as included within the Hutton "Review of Fair Pay in the Public Sector" (2010). The Pay Policy Statement publishes these relativities at paragraph 7.5 and CCBC is well within the advisory guidelines provided.

5.8 Conclusion

The Council has a legal requirement to publish a Pay Policy Statement by 31st March each year. The Pay Policy statement attached at Appendix 1 is a statement of fact of remuneration at the time of agreement by Council.

6. ASSUMPTIONS

6.1 There are no assumptions made within this report.

7. SUMMARY OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 The Pay Policy 2022 / 23 is a statement of fact, therefore an integrated impact assessment has not been completed.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 Salaries are accounted for within core service revenue budgets. The national pay award for Youth and Community Support Workers for 2021 /22 is still subject to agreement. The national pay awards for 2022 / 23 are subject to negotiation. Any increase in salaries will need to be funded form the Council's Revenue Budget.

9. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The personnel implications are included in the report.

10. CONSULTATIONS

10.1 All consultation responses have been reflected in this report.

11. STATUTORY POWER

- 11.1 Local Government Act 1972 Localism Act 2011 Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 Local Government (Wales) Act 2015 The Council's Constitution
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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Pay Policy Statement 2022 / 23 (Version 11)