South Cambridgeshire District Council Record of Chief Officer/Head of Service Decision

This form should be used to record key and other decisions made by Chief Officers and Heads of Service. The contact officer will ensure that the signed and completed form is given to Democratic Services as soon as reasonably practicable after the decision has been taken.

A key decision shall not be taken unless notice of the item has been published at least 28 days before the decision is to be taken except where:

- a General Exception notice has been published under Rule 15 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules and the Chairman of Scrutiny and Overview Committee has been informed in writing; or
- where a Special Urgency notice has been published under Rule 16 of those Rules and the Chairman of Scrutiny and Overview Committee has agreed the decision is urgent.

Unless permission has been obtained from the Chairman of Council and the Chairman of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee that a key decision may be treated as a matter of urgency under Rule 12.19 of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules, any key decision will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of five working days after the publication of the decision, unless called in under Rule 7 of the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules or Rule 12 of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules. Where consent has been obtained to exempt the decision from call-in, this will be specified below. Only key decisions of an officer are subject to call-in.

Decision Taker	Chief Finance Officer		
Subject Matter	Increase in Allowance to Independent Remuneration Panel Members		
Ward(s) Affected	None		
Date Taken	Monday, 19 April 2021		
Contact Officer	Patrick Adams, Senior Democratic Services Officer 01954 713408 (patrick.adams@scambs.gov.uk)		
Date Published	Monday, 19 April 2021		
Call-In Expiry	N/A		
Key Decision?	No		
In Forward Plan?	No		
Urgent?	No		

Purpose / Background

We currently pay our Independent Remuneration Panel members £200 a year. This has not altered since they Panel was first set up in around 2002, so they are due to receive an increase. According to a website called Inflationtool.com £1 in 2002 would be worth £1.46 now. If we round this up to £1.50 the allowance of £200 for each IRP member should be increased to £300.

Declaration(s) of Interest

Record below any relevant interest declared by any executive Member consulted or by an officer present in relation to the decision.

None

Dispensation(s)

In respect of any conflict(s) of interest declared above, record below any dispensation(s) granted by the Council's Standards Committee.

None

Consultation

Record below all parties consulted in relation to the decision.

Cllr John Williams, as Lead Cabinet Member for Finance.

Other Options Considered and Reasons for Rejection

To keep the allowance at the same level as it has been for the last 10 years or so, taking no account of inflation, which would be unfair.

Final decision	Reason(s)
To increase the annual allowance for	To increase the allowance in line with inflation.
Independent Remuneration Panel members to	
£300.	

Signed	Name (CAPITALS)	Signature	Date
Lead Cabinet Member (where required by the Constitution)		able upon request from De ocratic.services@scambs.g	
Chief Officer			

Further Information	
None	