

COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 23 JANUARY 2014

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 23 January 2014. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Graham Aisthorpe-Watts.

**1. LOCALISED COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME 2014/15
(CABINET, 12 SEPTEMBER 2013)**

Council **APPROVED** the Localised Council Tax Support Scheme for 2014/15.

**2. REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES
(CIVIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, 5 DECEMBER 2013)**

Council **AGREED** that no changes be made to the polling districts and places currently in place in South Cambridgeshire.

**3. ANNUAL PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2014-15
(EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE, 13 JANUARY 2014)**

Council **APPROVED** the Pay Policy Statement for 2014-15.

**4. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES 2014/15
(INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL)**

Council **ENDORSED** the Independent Remuneration Panel's report and **AGREED**:

- a) that during 2014, the Independent Remuneration Panel reviews the basis and process for determining and allocating Special Responsibility Allowance payments against the need to demonstrate transparency, consistency, objectivity and fairness and with reference to benchmarked best practice in other comparable authorities for consideration by Council in 2015;
- b) that Members' Allowances be increased by the equivalent percentage amount as the Council agrees to apply to the pay rates of council staff, effective from the same date as staff;
- c) that Councillor induction material is updated so as to ensure that all Councillors are both aware of the expenses addressed through the payment of the Basic Allowance and also of the other expenses to which they are entitled to make claims for reimbursement.

**5. NOTICE OF MOTION
STANDING IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR ROGER HICKFORD**

Council **AGREED** the following motion:

That this Council:

- a) demands that Central Government issues regulations to remove the permitted development rights for change of use of pubs if they have been successfully registered as community assets;
- b) lobbies local Members of Parliament, the Local Government Association and other relevant bodies to support the proposed change.

**6. NOTICE OF MOTION
STANDING IN THE NAME OF COUNCILLOR HAZEL SMITH**

Council **AGREED** the following motion:

This Council asks that the Portfolio Holder for Health and Environmental Services prepares a response to the consultation on behalf of this Council that would support a change to the legislation to compel water companies to give Traveller sites more equal treatment.