

## **Wiltshire Council**

### **Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee**

**5 June 2018**

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#### **Overview and Scrutiny (OS) Member Remuneration 2017/18**

##### **Purpose**

1. To propose the application of the OS Remuneration Fund for 2017/18.

##### **Background**

2. The current Overview and Scrutiny Member Remuneration scheme was agreed in April 2014 and focuses on leading OS positions, such as the chairs of task groups, rapid scrutiny exercises and representatives on project boards.
3. In 2017 the Independent Remuneration Panel reviewed the council's Members Allowance Scheme and in October 2017 a new scheme was agreed by Full Council. In accordance with the Panel's recommendation, Full Council resolved that,
  - a) The scrutiny fund, which is intended to reward Councillors performing specific scrutiny functions such as chairing task groups, rapid scrutiny exercises, serving on active project boards and acting as Vice Chairmen of Select Committees, is retained within the scheme at £15,000.
  - b) The fund is to be allocated by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee in accordance with a scheme which it will approve annually.
4. Following consultation with the OS chairman and vice-chairman, it is proposed that the Scheme be applied in the same way for 2017/18 as in the previous year.

##### **Application**

5. The following activities have therefore been considered eligible for remuneration within the scheme for the 2017/18 municipal year:
  - Chairing active task groups (including standing task groups)
  - Leading rapid scrutiny exercises
  - Vice-chairing select committees that do not attract an SRA
  - Representation on active project boards

The current standing task groups are as follows: Financial Planning and Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP).

6. Applying the scheme in this way yields a total of 19 qualifying activities. The fund is £15,000 and, as in previous years, has been divided by the number of qualifying activities, with a fixed payment (1/10<sup>th</sup>) to be allocated to 4 key positions, and the balance divided among the others. The 4 key positions are:
  - Vice-chair of Children's Select Committee
  - Vice-chair of Environment Select Committee
  - Vice-chair of Health Select Committee
  - Chairman of Financial Planning Task Group
7. It is proposed that no more than 2 x fund shares be awarded to any one councillor.
8. Appendix 1 shows the detail of this allocation.

### **Proposal**

9. To approve the allocation of the OS Remuneration fund for 2017/18 as detailed in Appendix 1.

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### **Appendices**

Appendix 1                      Schedule of OS Remuneration Fund allocations 2017/18