

<b>Title of Report:</b>  <b>Scheme of Allowances payable to Elected Members 2019/20</b>	<b>Officer presenting: Lead Democratic Services &amp; Improvement Officer</b>  <b>Author: As above</b>
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## **1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations**

- 1.1 To seek approval for an updated Scheme of Allowances as set out in Appendix 1.

## **2 Background**

- 2.1 At the meeting of this Committee held in February (Min Ref GSP17/18), Members recommended the reduction in the frequency of the meetings of the Assurance, Audit and Risk Committee, a reduction in the Special Responsibility Allowance for the Chair and Vice Chair of this Committee and the reallocation of the resultant available allowances to the Members of the Planning Committee.
- 2.2 It was further recommended that Mayor and Deputy Mayor allowances are uplifted in line with the inflationary increase to the basic allowance for the 2015-19 period and are fixed for the next four years.

## **3 Key Issues**

- 3.1 These recommendations are reflected in an updated Scheme of Allowances which is attached as Appendix 1.

## **4 Financial, Equality, Legal, HR and Other Implications**

- 4.1 Provision is available within existing budgets for the payments of these allowances for the financial year.

## **5 Recommendations**

- 5.1 That, subject to Members comments, the updated Scheme of Allowances set out in Appendix 1 is approved.

## **Background Papers**

- SC 93/15 Scheme of Allowances
- GSP178/15
- GSP128/16
- GSP 194/16
- GSP 12/17
- GSP 47/17
- GSP 138/18 Scheme of Allowances payable to Elected Members 2018/19