

Extract from the Joint Governance Committee - 26 November 2019

**JGC/44/19-20 Scheme of Allowances for Adur District Council 2020/21 -
2022/23**

Summary of discussion:

Before the Committee was a report by the Director for Communities, copies of which had been circulated to all Members and copies are attached to the signed copy of these Minutes as Item 9.

The Joint Governance Committee was asked to consider the report of the Joint Independent Remuneration Panel (JIRP) and make recommendations to Adur District Council on the level of Members' Allowances for the period 2020/21 to 2022/23.

Recommendations from the Committee, on the level of allowances, would be proposed at the Adur Full Council meeting in December.

Mr Barry Hillman, Chairman of JIRP, thanked Councillors for all of their comments throughout the Panels investigations and advised the Committee that it was the Panel's aim to increase Adur's allowances to be in line with those paid in Worthing.

The Committee considered the options outlined in the report and thanked the Members of the Panel for their work.

Resolved

That the Joint Governance Committee recommended that Adur District Council adopt the members scheme of allowances in line with the Panel's recommended Option (iii), as set out below, and note it's comments surrounding the claiming of Childcare Allowance / Carers Allowance / Travel and Subsistence Allowance.

Option 3

- i) that the basic allowance be referenced to the outcome of the Officers' NJC Pay bargaining agreement for a period of two years until March 2022/2023;
- ii) that the Special Responsibility Allowance for Chairmen of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Joint Governance Committee be raised in line with what is offered at Worthing; and
- iii) that an additional 1% increase be added for 2020/21 in view of the panels view that Adur and Worthing Councillors should be paid the same.