

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

20 February 2006

Report of the Chief Executive

Part 1- Public

Matters For Decision

1 MEMBERS ALLOWANCES – REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

1.1 Attached at Annex 1 is the report received from the Joint Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) following its recent review of Members' Allowances.

1.2 The Report addresses the following issues:-

- The increase to the amount of Basic Allowance payable to all Members.
- The scope and amount of Special Responsibility Allowances that should be paid to members of the Licensing Committee.

1.3 The law requires that no changes to the Scheme of Members' Allowances can be made until the report of the IRP has been considered. The Council is not obliged to adopt the recommendations of the IRP but it is obliged to publish in local newspapers what the IRP recommended and what the Council determined.

1.4 Legal Implications

1.4.1 None

1.5 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.5.1 As detailed in the report.

1.6 Risk Assessment

1.6.1 None

1.7 Recommendations

- 1.7.1 The Council is requested to consider the report of the IRP and approve a revised Scheme of Member Allowances.

Background papers:

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Nil

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