

LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with the Local Authority(Members Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003, the Council of the London Borough of Lewisham on July 24 2019 considered a report on a Parental Leave Scheme for Members.

Having considered, as required by Regulation 19, the recommendations of the London Councils Independent Remuneration Panel, the Council agreed to the incorporation of paid parental leave in its Scheme of Allowances and resolved to amend the Council's Constitution to incorporate the amended Scheme of Members' Allowances.

The main features of the scheme and the amounts payable, which will continue to apply until further notice, are:

- (a) all members to receive a basic allowance of £10,209;
- (b) the directly elected Mayor to receive total remuneration of £77,722 including basic allowance and special responsibility allowance;
- (c) the Deputy Mayor to receive £40,600 special responsibility allowance;
- (d) members of the Cabinet to receive £15,298 special responsibility allowance;
- (e) the Chair of Council to receive £6,130 special responsibility allowance;
- (f) the Chair of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee to receive £12,260 special responsibility allowance;
- (g) the Chairs of Overview & Scrutiny Select Committees to receive £6,130 special responsibility allowance;
- (h) the Chairs of the three Planning Committees and the Licensing Committee to receive £6,130 special responsibility allowance;
- (i) the Chief Whip and the Chair of the Labour Group to receive £5,275 special responsibility allowance;
- (j) the Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee to receive £9,195 special responsibility allowance;
- (k) the Chair of the Standards Committee to receive £1,000 special responsibility allowance;
- (l) a co-optees' allowance of £600 per annum to be paid to those co-optees who sit on the Standards Committee, the Audit Panel and the Overview & Scrutiny (Education) Business Panel
- (m) travelling and subsistence allowances can be paid for any meetings taking place outside Greater London; and
- (n) paid parental leave shall generally be granted for 6 months with the option to extend to 52 weeks, by agreement of Council in exceptional circumstances.

A copy of the Scheme of Allowances as amended by the inclusion of a Parental Leave entitlement may be viewed at the Governance Support Unit, 2nd Floor, Civic Suite, Catford, SE6 4RU between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and on the Council website www.lewisham.gov.uk. Copies of the Members' Allowances Scheme and records of payments thereunder for the year 2018/19 are also available for inspection at the same offices. (Telephone: Kevin Flaherty, Head of Committee on 0208 314 9327).

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