



OFFICER REPORT TO COUNCIL

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

KEY ISSUE/DECISION:

It is the Council's responsibility to approve changes to the Council's Constitution. This report sets out proposed changes to Part 7 – Members' Allowances Scheme. These are brought to Council for formal approval in accordance with Article 4.04(b) and (k) and Article 13.01 of the Council's Constitution.

BACKGROUND:

1. At its meeting in March 2023, The Council approved the proposed 3% increase in Member's Allowances for the 2023-2024 financial year. This was instead of the 8.8% CPI indexing currently adopted by the scheme.
2. The allowances schedule in Part 7 has been updated to reflect these changes.
3. When the only change made to a scheme in any year is an annual adjustment, the scheme shall be deemed not to have been amended.
4. An updated guide to Members Allowances and Expenses will be published on the SCC external website and circulated to Members.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Council is asked to approve the updated Members' Allowances Schedule (Annex A).

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Sources/background papers:

The Council's Constitution
Council - Minutes, 21 March 2023

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