# Pay Policy Statement 2017/2018



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## NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUCH COUNCIL'S PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2017 / 2018

This is Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council's (NPT) sixth annual Pay Policy Statement. This Statement covers the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.

This Pay Policy Statement provides the framework for decision making on pay and in particular decision making on senior pay. Preparing and publishing this statement is a requirement under the Localism Act 2011. The provisions in the Act do not apply to the staff of local authority schools and therefore teaching staff are not included in the scope of this document.

This Pay Policy Statement has been reviewed by the Council's Personnel Committee on [27<sup>th</sup> February 2017] and approved by Council on [1<sup>st</sup> March 2017].

#### **1. INTRODUCTION FROM THE LEADER**



This Council is committed to being open and transparent and as Leader I want to ensure that the Council tax payers of Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council have access to information about how we pay people.

Council services are delivered by people, and most of the people we employ live and work in this County Borough. I want to ensure that Council services are the best they can be, so our pay policy seeks to ensure we can attract, retain and motivate the best employees with the right skills to deliver our services.

This, of course, has to be balanced against the need to ensure value for money for the local Council taxpayer.

The Council is one of the main employers in this area and it is important that the Council can offer good quality employment on reasonable terms and conditions and fair rates of pay. This will have a beneficial impact on the quality of life within the community as well as on the local economy.

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#### 2. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

The Council has the power to appoint staff under Section 112 of the Local Government Act 1972 and complies with all relevant employment legislation in determining the pay and remuneration of its staff.

#### 3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

The Council employs approximately 6,700 employees. The posts they are employed within are covered by a range of terms and conditions drawn from either:

- National Joint Council for Local Government Services
- Joint National Council for Chief Executives
- Joint National Council for Chief Officers
- Soulbury Committee
- The Joint National Council for Youth and Community Workers
- Teachers

The following payscales are provided as Appendices to this policy:

- Appendix A Local Government Services Employees NPT Pay Grades
- Appendix B JNC Chief Executive and Chief Officer NPT Pay Grades
- Appendix C Soulbury National Pay Grades
- Appendix D JNC Youth & Community Worker National Pay Grades

We publish a breakdown of staff numbers by pay band and gender in the **Annual Equalities in Employment Report**, published separately.

#### **National Pay Awards**

For all employee groups, any nationally agreed pay awards, negotiated at a national level by the local government employers in conjunction with the recognised Trade Unions will be applied, including Chief Officers and the Chief Executive. The Council will pay these nationally agreed pay awards as and when determined unless full Council decides otherwise.

#### Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013

The Council and recognised trade unions reached agreement in 2013 in relation to a range of measures designed to both help reduce the Council's paybill, contributing significant savings in support of the Council's difficult financial position, whilst at the same time seeking to safeguard the employment of the Council's workforce. The key impacts in relation to pay are set out in **Appendix J.** Please note that the provisions set out in Appendix J are time limited and will cease on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.

#### Job Evaluation

In 2008 the Council completed a Job Evaluation exercise in relation to jobs which are governed by the NJC for LGS' terms and conditions of employment. A new pay and grading structure, based on the outcome of the Job Evaluation exercise, was developed in partnership with, and agreed with, our trade unions via a Collective Agreement and introduced in 2008. The pay and grading structure is based on the NJC for LGS' nationally negotiated pay spine as the basis for its pay and grading structure.

The Council seeks to maintain the equality proofed pay and grading structure by subjecting any newly established job or jobs which have significantly changed to a job evaluation assessment. A Joint Job Evaluation Panel, comprising of trained management and trade union representatives continues to meet on a regular basis to consider and determine Grading Appeals.

#### Starting salaries

It is the Council's policy that all appointments to jobs with the Council are made at the minimum of the relevant pay grade, although this can be varied where necessary, e.g. to secure the services of the best available candidate/s.

Heads of Service can authorise a variation of starting salary for all jobs other than those employed on Chief Officer terms and conditions. The Special Appointments Committee, a committee with delegated authority from Personnel Committee, will determine the starting salary of Heads of Service and full Council will determine the starting salary of Corporate Directors and Chief Executive.

#### Other pay-related allowances

All other pay-related allowances, e.g. overtime payments, are the subject of national and/or locally negotiated arrangements and subject to Member approval at Personnel Committee or full Council, as appropriate (refer to Decision Making for more information).

The terms and conditions of employment relating to annual leave, hours of work, overtime payment, weekend working arrangements and sick pay for all employee groups (with the exception of teaching staff) are set out in **Appendix E**.

#### Acting Up and Honoraria Payments

There may be occasions when an employee is asked to carry out duties which are additional to those of their substantive post, for a period of time, or to 'act up' into a more senior job within the Council, covering the full range of duties of the higher job. In such circumstances an additional payment may be made in line with the Council's policy on payment of acting up or honoraria. The schemes can be found at **Appendix F** and apply to LGS employees only.

Personnel Committee must approve any acting up or honoraria payments proposed for officers who are not within the scope of the scheme, or where the acting up or honoraria payment would result in the total pay package exceeding £100,000 approval must be sought from full Council.

The Head of Children and Young People has been in receipt of a short-term temporary honorarium payment of £666 per calendar month in respect of additional temporary responsibilities linked to the vacant Head of Adult Services. This honorarium payment was approved by the Council's Personnel Committee and will cease on appointment of a permanent postholder to the post of Head of Adult Services.

## Market Pay Scheme

Job evaluation has enabled the Council to set appropriate pay levels based on internal job size relativities within the Council. However, in exceptional circumstances, it may be necessary to take account of the external pay market in order to attract and retain employees with the necessary specific knowledge, skills and experience.

The Council has a Market Pay Scheme to ensure that the requirement for any market pay supplements is objectively justified by reference to clear and transparent evidence of relevant market comparators, using appropriate data sources. The Market Pay Scheme can be found at **Appendix G**. It is the Council's policy that any such additional payments are kept to a minimum and reviewed on a regular basis so that they can be withdrawn where no longer considered necessary.

The principles underpinning this Market Pay Scheme are applied to all employee groups within the Council. Heads of Service can authorise market pay supplements following a recommendation from the Head of Human Resources. Where it is proposed to apply a market supplement to a Chief Officer post within the Council, approval is sought from the Council's Personnel Committee. Should the market supplement result in the total pay package exceeding £100,000 approval must be sought from full Council.

In accordance with this arrangement, a market pay supplement of £14,000 is currently applicable to the post of Head of Children and Young People, in recognition of the very significant recruitment difficulties associated with this post, and approved by the Council's Personnel Committee.

### Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS)

To help people save more for their retirement, the government now requires employers to automatically enrol their workers into a workplace pension scheme. Neath Port Talbot Council participates in the Local Government Pension Scheme. If an employee has a contract of employment for at least 3 months (and is under 75 years of age), they will be automatically enrolled into the LGPS, from the date employment commenced. Opt out provisions apply.

The employee contribution rates, which are defined by statue, currently range between 5.5 per cent and 12.5 per cent of pensionable pay depending on full time equivalent salary levels. The Employer contribution rate is set by Actuaries advising the City and County of Swansea LGPS Pension fund and reviewed on a triennial basis in order to ensure the scheme is appropriately funded. Following the triennial valuation the employers contribution rate effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 is expected to be 25.5%.

#### Other employee benefits

The Council believes that it has a responsibility to help support the health, wellbeing and welfare of its employees in order to ensure that they are able to perform at their best. As part of this approach and in common with other large employers the Council provides a small number of non-pay benefits such as eye test vouchers for users of display screen equipment at work, childcare vouchers via a salary sacrifice scheme and participation in the Cycle to Work scheme.

#### 4. DECISION MAKING

In accordance with the Constitution of the Council, the Council's Personnel Committee has delegated authority for decision-making in relation to staff pensions, staff terms and conditions, i.e. related matters such as job evaluation strategies, national / local pay negotiations, operational conditions of service policies e.g. sickness, Directorate structural / staffing changes, including ER/VR policies, and industrial disputes.

Under the Local Authorities (Standing Order) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 any decision to determine or vary the remuneration of chief officers, or those to be appointed as chief officers, must be made by full Council.

#### 5. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ARRANGEMENTS WITH TRADE UNIONS

The Council recognises the following trade unions:

<u>NJC for Local Government Services</u> UNISON GMB UNITE

JNC for Chief Officers UNISON GMB

Soulbury Committee Association of Educational Psychologists AEP PROSPECT

JNC for Youth & Community Workers UNISON GMB

Teachers NAHT NASUWT NUT UCAC

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Recognition is for the purposes of consultation and negotiation on a collective basis in relation to relevant matters, which are not determined by National Negotiating bodies, which both parties agree are appropriate / beneficial to be determined by agreement. Negotiations are conducted with the aim of reaching agreement and avoiding disputes. Recognition also relates to representation on an individual trade union member basis.

## 6. SENIOR PAY

## The Chief Executive

The Chief Executive is the senior officer who leads and takes responsibility of the Council. The Council is a large and complex organisation with a multi-million pound budget. It has a very wide range of functions and has responsibility for the provision of a wide range of essential services, employing some 6,700 staff.

The role of Chief Executive is a full time and permanent position. The post holder is selected on merit, against objective criteria, following public advertisement. The Chief Executive is appointed by full Council.

As Head of Paid Service, the Chief Executive works closely with Elected Members to deliver the strategic aims of the Council, including the following priorities:

- To improve outcomes for children in need and children looked after by improving the performance of the Council's Children and Young People Services Department.
- To raise educational standards and attainment for all young people
- To maximise the number of adults who are able to live independently with or without support within the home of their choice within their community
- To support and invest in our town centres and communities to promote economic growth, regeneration and sustainability to maximise job opportunities and improve access to employment
- Increase the percentage of waste recycled and composted
- To Improve customer / citizen access to services and functions provided by the Council or on behalf of the Council and to improve the efficiency of those services and functions.

The Chief Executive routinely works in the evenings and on weekends as well as the standard Monday to Friday business week. The Chief Executive also heads the 'on call' arrangements particularly to cover emergency planning arrangements.

The current Chief Executive, Mr Steven Phillips, has been in post since October 2009. Prior to joining Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council, Mr Phillips was a Corporate Director with

Cardiff County Council and has over 20 years of experience working within a range of national (Wales and UK) and international organisations, including the Department of Trade and Industry in London, the UK Mission to the United Nations at Geneva and Welsh Government.

With effect from  $1^{st}$  April 2017, the Chief Executive's salary falls within the pay band £124,502 to £136,952 per annum. However as the Chief Executive is making a 'pay contribution' equivalent to the national pay award in line with the Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013, he will be paid £134,253 from  $1^{st}$  April 2017 (see **Appendix J** for further information).

The Council has a statutory duty to appoint a Returning Officer for specified Elections and Referenda and has appointed the Council's Chief Executive to this role. The Returning Officer is personally responsible for a wide range of functions in relation to the conduct of Elections and Referenda and is paid for discharging these functions in accordance with prescribed fees.

Details of the Chief Executive's pay, including any additional payments are published in the Statement of Accounts. This document is published separately.

Expenses such as for train, car mileage, overnight accommodation and parking are claimed back in accordance with the Council's Travel and Subsistence Payments Policy.

The Chief Executive is a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme and details are disclosed in the Statement of Accounts. There have been no increases or enhancements to the pension outside of standard arrangements.

The notice period for the role is 6 months.

## Senior Staff

The current definition for senior posts is classed as:

- Statutory Chief Officers. In NPT these are:
- the Director of Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning;
- the Director of Social Services, Health and Housing; and
- the Director of Finance and Corporate Services who undertakes the role of Section 151 Officer.
- The Monitoring Officer. In NPT this is the Head of Legal Services.
- Non-statutory Chief Officers, that is non-statutory posts that report directly to the Head of Paid Service. In NPT this is the Director of Environment.
- Deputy Chief Officers, that is officers that report directly to statutory or non-statutory Chief Officers. In NPT these are:
- the Head of Human Resources;
- the Head of Corporate Strategy and Democratic Services;
- the Head of ICT;
- the Head of Finance;
- the Head of Participation;

- the Head of Transformation;
- the Head of Children and Young People Services;
- the Head of Adult Services (currently vacant);
- the Head of Commissioning and Support Services;
- the Head of Engineering and Transport;
- the Head of Property and Regeneration;
- o the Head of Planning and Public Protection;
- the Head of Streetcare;
- the Head of South Wales Trunk Road Agency.

#### Pay

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017, Corporate Director posts attract a salary within the pay band £102,746 to £110,801 per annum, however as Corporate Directors will be making a 'pay contribution' equivalent to half the national pay award, in line with the Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013 (see **Appendix J**), Corporate Directors will be paid within the pay band £102,237.50 to £110,252.50.

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017, Heads of Service posts attract a salary within the pay band of £71,213 to £78,329 per annum, however as Heads of Services will be making a 'pay contribution' equivalent to half the national pay award, in line with the Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013 (see **Appendix J**), Heads of Service will be paid within the pay band £70,860.50 to £77,941.

Details of senior staff pay are published in the Statement of Accounts.

#### **Recruitment of Senior Officers**

The Council's Policy and Procedures with regard to the recruitment of Chief Officers is contained within the Officer Employment Procedure Rules as set out in the Council's Constitution. Please refer to **Appendix H**.

The determination of the remuneration to be offered to any newly appointed Chief Officer will be in accordance with the pay structure and relevant Council policies in place at the time of recruitment. Any salary package that exceeds the threshold of £100,000 must be approved beforehand by full Council.

#### Additions to Chief Officers' Pay

The Council pays a standard mileage rate of 45 pence per mile to Chief Officers (and all other employees) where the Chief Officer uses his or her private vehicle on Council business. The Council also reimburses any other reasonable expenses, incurred by the Chief Officer on behalf of the Council whilst on Council business, on production of receipts and in accordance with JNC conditions and other local conditions.

The cost of membership by the Chief Executive and Corporate Directors of one professional body is met by the Council.

#### Independent Remuneration Panel

Section 143A of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 refers to the Independent Remuneration Panel in Wales ("the IRP") and sets out their functions in relation to salaries of heads of paid service. The IRP may make recommendations about any policy in this Pay Policy Statement which relates to the salary of the Council's head of paid service and any proposed change to the salary of the Council's head of paid service. In this Council, the head of paid service is the Chief Executive. The Council, will, as required, consult the IRP in relation to any change to the salary of the Chief Executive which is not commensurate with a change of the salaries of the Council's other staff, and will have regard to any recommendation received from the IRP when deciding whether or not to proceed with making the change.

The Council is required to identify in this pay policy statement whether any such referral has been made to the IRP, and if so, the nature of the referral, the IRP's decision and the Council's response.

An authority which chooses not to follow the advice of the Panel may become subject to a Ministerial direction to reconsider their position. The Act also provides that authorities will be able to reduce (but not increase) the salary payable to their head of paid service in advance of a recommendation from the IRP, so long as the contract under which the salary is payable does not prevent the authority from changing the salary after receiving a recommendation.

The Local Government (Wales) Act 2015 temporarily extends the power of the IRP, under section 143A of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 to cover salaries payable to chief officers (using the Localism Act definition) as well as the head of paid service.

The Council made referral to the IRP in November 2016. The referral was in relation to the Head of Adult Services, with a proposal to apply a Market Pay Supplement of £10,000.00 to this post. It was proposed that the period of the market pay supplement will be for 5 years in the first instance, with a review being undertaken after this time, to confirm that it is still necessary. The IRP approved the proposal. The post is vacant.

A further referral has been made in February 2017 in relation to the honorarium payment paid to the Head of CYP in respect of covering the vacant Head of Adult Services post. This statement will be updated to take account of any recommendation from the IRP.

## 7. TALENT MANAGEMENT

The Council's key tool for talent management and succession planning is through the Performance Appraisal process which as well as placing an emphasis on performance, seeks to put in place individual learning plans, developing the skills necessary not only for current roles, but with a future focus to support career development and succession planning.

#### 8. PERFORMANCE RELATED PAY

The Council expects high levels of performance from all employees and has implemented a Performance Appraisal Scheme to monitor, evaluate and manage employee performance on an ongoing basis.

No bonus or performance-related pay mechanism applies, although the maximum incremental pay point of the pay grades for the Chief Executive and Corporate Directors are only payable if there is a satisfactory outcome to their respective annual performance appraisal.

#### 9. SUPPORT FOR LOWER PAID STAFF

The Council protected employees in pay grades 1 to 4 from the provisions of the revised Green Book Pay and Grading Structure introduced in April 2014 via the Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013 (see **Appendix J**).

With effect from  $1^{st}$  April 2014, SCP 7 was deleted from pay grade 2, and a revised pay grade (scp 8 – 11) introduced. This has become a permanent feature of the new pay and grading structure.

The Council has committed to continuing discussions with Trade Unions with the objective of introducing the Living Wage on an affordable and sustainable basis when circumstances allow.

#### **10. EXIT POLICY**

#### Early Retirement, Voluntary Redundancy and Compulsory Redundancy

The Council's Exit Policy for employees prior to reaching normal retirement age, is set out within its Early Retirement, Voluntary Redundancy and Compulsory Redundancy (ER / VR / CR) Scheme, in accordance with Regulations 5 and 6 of the Local Government (Early Termination of Employment) (Discretionary Compensation) Regulations 2006. Please refer to **Appendix I**. Please note that a separate scheme operates for those employed on Teacher terms and conditions of employment.

Under the Scheme, all Early Retirement and Voluntary Redundancy expressions of interest are subject to a robust business case, seeking to limit discretionary compensation to an affordable limit, as well as considering the costs of any consequential organisational / pay grade changes.

Any severance package in respect of early termination of employment that exceeds a threshold of £100,000 must be approved beforehand by full Council. When calculating the value of a severance package, the following payments should be included:

- salary paid in lieu of notice
- lump sum redundancy / severance payment
- cost to the Council of the strain on the pension fund arising from providing early access to an unreduced pension.

The Council has operated a Voluntary Redundancy Scheme during the financial year 2016 / 2017 and details of all employees who exited the Council's employment under this Scheme, as well as the small number of employees who exited under Compulsory Redundancy, can be found in the annual Statement of Accounts.

#### **Exit Cap and Recovery Provisions**

In 2017, the UK Government intends to introduce Regulations that will impose a cap of £95,000 on exit payments for public sector workers. It also intends to develop regulations to enable the recovery of exit payments made to employees who leave the public sector and return within 12 months, although the timetable for these regulations is not as clear. The minimum salary to which the recovery provisions will apply is £80,000 per annum. If and when the UK Government introduces these Regulations, Council policies will be updated as appropriate to take this into account.

#### **Re-employment**

It is Council policy no employee, who leaves the employment of the Council on the grounds of early retirement or voluntary redundancy in accordance with the Council's Early Retirement / Voluntary Redundancy Scheme will be later re-employed as an employee of the Council. In exceptional circumstances, re-employment may be permitted if the "employing" Head of Service is able to provide a robust business case for doing so which is acceptable to the Director of Finance & Corporate Services and Head of Human Resources, in consultation with the relevant trade union(s).

#### Flexible retirement

Employees are permitted to take flexible retirement in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Pension Scheme and the Council's Flexible Retirement Scheme.

### **11. OFF PAYROLL ARRANGEMENTS**

Where the Council is unable to recruit to a job under a contract of service, or where there is a need for specialist support for a specific project, the Council will, where necessary, consider engaging individuals under a contract for service. These will be sourced through the relevant procurement process under the Council's Contract Procedure Rules, ensuring the Council is able to demonstrate value for money from competition in securing the relevant service.

Where the contract for service is to provide cover for a vacant post, in addition to ensuring adherence to Contract Procedure Rules, decision making in relation to the appointment will be in line with the Council's rules in relation to appointments i.e. Council will determine appointments at Director level, Special Appointments Committee will determine appointments at Head of Service level, and Heads of Service or those acting under their authority will determine appointments appointments at Accountable Manager level and below.

In line with these arrangements, the Council has engaged an Interim Director of Social Services, Health & Housing under a contract for service, to ensure that the Council was able to recruit a suitably qualified and experienced individual to this key top management team post. This was sourced through a procurement process and approved by full Council. Services are provided at the rate of £700 per each day on which services are provided. The costs of this individual are set out in the Annual Statement of Accounts.

With effect from April 2017, the UK Government will be introducing "Intermediaries Legislation", known as IR35, reforming tax rules for off-payroll working in the public sector. The Council will implement the new rules as required.

#### **12. PAY RELATIVITIES WITHIN THE COUNCIL**

**The lowest paid employee is on £15,014 per annum**, in accordance with the minimum spinal column point (SCP 6) of the NJC pay spine for Local Government Services employees. This excludes apprentices who are engaged on different arrangements with training being the main feature of the arrangement and it also excludes agency staff.

The highest paid employee is the Chief Executive and the pay band minimum is £122,100 rising to the pay band maximum of £134,253. The current post holder earns £134,253.

#### The median salary in the Council is £21,962.

The pay multiple between the lowest paid (full time equivalent) employee and the Chief Executive is a ratio of 1:9 and the pay multiple between the lowest paid employee and average Chief Officer is a ratio of 1:6.

The pay multiple between the median full time equivalent earnings and the Council's Chief Executive is a ratio of 1:6 where all Council employees are taken into account and 1:6 where employees appointed and managed by head teachers/Governing Bodies are excluded from the calculation, as required by the provisions of the Localism Act 2011.

The multiple between the median full time equivalent earnings and the average Council Chief Officer is 1:4 where all Council employees are taken into account and 1:4 where employees appointed and managed by head teachers/Governing Bodies are excluded from the calculation, as required by the provisions of the Localism Act 2011.

## Local Government Services Employees Pay Grades Effective 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017

GRADE	POINT	ANNUAL
		£
GRADE 1	6	15,014
	6 Abated*	14,985
	7	15,115
	8	15,246
GRADE 2	8	15,246
	9	15,375
	10	15,613
	11	15,807
GRADE 3	11	15,807
	12	16,123
	13	16,491
	14	16,781
	15	17,072
GRADE 4	15	17,072
	16	17,419
	17	17,772
	18	18,070
	19	18,746
	20	19,430
GRADE 5	20	19,430
	21	20,138
	22	20,661
	23	21,268
	24	21,962
	24A	22,305
GRADE 6	24	21,962
	25	22,658
	26	23,398
	27	24,174
	27A	24,573

GRADE	POINT	ANNUAL
		£
GRADE 7	27	24,174
	28	24,964
	29	25,951
	30	26,822
	31	27,668
	31A	28,042
GRADE 8	31	27,668
	32	28,485
	33	29,323
	34	30,153
	35	30,785
	35A	31,107
GRADE 9	35	30,785
	36	31,601
	37	32,486
	38	33,437
	39	34,538
	39A	34,891
GRADE 10	39	34,538
	40	35,444
	41	36,379
	42	37,306
	43	38,237
	43A	38,565
GRADE 11	43	38,237
	44	37,177
	45	40,057
	46	41,025
	46A	41,312
GRADE 12	46	41,025
	47	41,967
	48	42,899
	49	43,821
GRADE 13	49	43,821
	50	44,799
	51	45,813
	52	46,846

#### Note:

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014, a time limited revised pay and grading structure was implemented which affected existing pay grades 5 to 11 inclusive. In addition, all of those in Grades 12 and 13 will make a pay contribution equivalent to the monetary difference between the penultimate and the maximum points of their respective pay grades as at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014. More details are provided in **Appendix J**.

## JNC Chief Executive and Chief Officers Pay Grades effective 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014, those employed within the scope of the JNC for Chief Officers Agreement will make a **pay contribution** equivalent to the monetary value of the difference between the penultimate and the maximum points of their respective pay grades as at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014. The Chief Executive will make a pay contribution equivalent to the whole of any national pay award. See **Appendix J**.

CHIEF EXECUTIV	CHIEF EXECUTIVE			
Point 1	Point 2	Point 3	Point 4	Point 5
£124,502**	£127,615**	£130,727**	£133,839**	£136,952**
CORPORATE DIR	ECTORS	-	-	-
Point 1	Point 2	Point 3	Point 4	Point 5
£102,746*	£103,248*	£105,764*	£108,282*	£110,801*
HEADS OF SERV	ICE			
Point 1	Point 2	Point 3	Point 4	Point 5
£71,213*	£72,992*	£74,769*	£76,550*	£78,329*

Notes:

\*\*1% pay award applied. This will be retained by the Council as a pay contribution under the Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013 (see Appendix J)

\*1% pay award applied. 0.5% of the salary will retained by the Council as a pay contribution under the Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013 (see Appendix J)

#### NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL NATIONAL PAY GRADES – SOULBURY

#### Note:

From  $1^{st}$  September 2014, those employed within the scope of the Soulbury Agreement will make a **pay contribution** equivalent to the monetary value of the difference between the penultimate and the maximum points of their respective pay grades as at  $1^{st}$  September 2014 – see Appendix J.

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS - SCALE A		
SPINE POINT	Pay – with effect from	Pay – with effect from
	01.09.16	01.09.17
1.	£35,377	£35,731
2.	£37,173	£37,545
3.	£38,969	£39,359
4.	£40,764	£41,171
5.	£42,558	£42,984
6.	£44,353	£44,797
7.	£46,044	£46,504
8.	£47,734	£48,211
9.	£49,317*	£49,810*
10.	£50,902*	£51,411*
11.	£52,380*	£52,903*

#### Notes:

- 1. Pay scales to consist of 6 consecutive points, based on the duties and responsibilities attaching to posts and the need to recruit, retain and motivate staff.
- 2. \*Extension to scale to accommodate structured professional assessment points.

SENIOR & PRI PSYCHOLOGISTS – SCALE		
SPINE POINT	Pay – with effect from	Pay – with effect from
	01.09.16	01.09.17
1.	£44,353	£44,797
2.	£46,044	£46,504
3.	£47,734	£48,211
4.	£49,317	£49,810
5.	£50,902	£51,411
6.	£52,380	£52,903
7.	£52,987	£53,516
8.	£54,120	£54,661
9.	£55,243	£55,795
10.	£56,386	£56,950

£57,506	£58,081
£58,649	£59,235
£59,811	£60,409
£60,933 **	£61,543**
£62,110 **	£62,731**
£63,275 **	£63,908**
£64,448 **	£65,093**
£65,620 **	£62,276**
	£58,649 £59,811 £60,933 ** £62,110 ** £63,275 ** £64,448 **

#### Notes:

- 1. Pay scales to consist of not more than four consecutive points, based on the duties and responsibilities attaching to posts and the need to recruit, retain and motivate staff.
- 2. \* Normal minimum point for the Principal Educational Psychologist undertaking the full range of duties at this level.
- 3. **\*\*** Extension to range to accommodate discretionary scale points and structured professional assessments
- TRAINEE EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS SPINE POINT Pay – with effect from Pay – with effect from 01.09.17 01.09.16 1 £22,503 2 £24,151 3 £25,796 4 £27,444 5 £29,090 6 £30,737
- 4. Principals are paid on a 4 point scale 8 14 (this includes 3 spa points)

ASSISTANT EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS		
SPINE POINT Pay – with effect from		Pay – with effect from 01.09.17
	01.09.16	
1	£27,939	£28,218
2	£29,080	£29,371
3	£30,221	£30,523
4	£31,355	£31,669

YOUNG PEOPLE'S / COMMUNITY SERVICE MANAGERS		
SPINE POINT	Pay – with effect from	Pay – with effect from 01.09.17
	01.09.16	
1	£34,983	£35,333
2	£36,128	£36,489
3	£37,272	£37,645
4	£38,440*	£38,824*
5	£39,626	£40,023
6	£40,784	£41,192

7	£41,969**	£42,388**
8	£43,314	£43,747
9	£44,056	£44,497
10	£45,202	£45,654
11	£46,342	£46,805
12	£47,483	£47,958
13	£48,616	£49,103
14	£49,762	£50,259
15	£50,908	£51,417
16	£52,057	£52,578
17	£53,213	£53,745
18	£54,360	£54,904
19	£55,502	£56,057
20	£56,668 ***	£57,235***
21	£57,857***	£58,435***
22	£59,072***	£59,663***
23	£60,312***	£60,915***
24	£61,579***	£62,194***

#### Notes:

The minimum Youth and Community Service Officers' scale is 4 points. Other salary scales to consist of not more than four consecutive points based on duties and responsibilities attaching to posts and the need to recruit retain and motivate staff.

\* normal minimum point for senior youth and community officers undertaking the full range of duties at this level

\*\* normal minimum point for principal youth and community service officer undertaking the full range of duties at this level

\*\*\* extension to range to accommodate discretionary scale points and structured professional assessments.

EDUCATIONAL	IMPROVEMENT	
PROFESSIONALS (EIPs)		
SPINE POINT	Pay – with effect from	Pay – with effect from 01.09.17
	01.09.16	
1	£33,730	£34,067
2	£34,938	£35,287
3	£36,078	£36,439
4	£37,234	£37,606
5	£38,383	£38,767
6	£39,533	£39,928
7	£40,741	£41,148
8	£41,902*	£42,321*
9	£43,256	£43,689
10	£44,463	£44,908
11	£45,655	£46,112
12	£46,809	£47,277
13	£48,116**	£48,597**
14	£49,280	£49,773
15	£50,567	£51,073

16	£51,731	£52,248	
17	£52,897	£53,426	
18	£54,042	£54,582	
19	£55,223	£55,775	
20	£55,833***	£56,391***	
21	£57,005	£57,575	
22	£58,027	£58,607	
23	£59,152	£59,744	
24	£60,160	£60,762	
25	£61,239	£61,851	
26	£62,291	£62,914	
27	£63,367	£64,001	
28	£64,457	£65,102	
29	£65,551	£66,207	
30	£66,643	£67,309	
31	£67,725	£68,402	
32	£68,824	£69,512	
33	£69,924	£70,623	
34	£71,050	£71,761	
35	£72,173	£72,895	
36	£73,329	£74,062	
37	£74,465	£75,210	
38	£75,615	£76,371	
39	£76,748	£77,515	
40	£77,880	£78,659	
41	£79,019	£79,809	
42	£80,156	£80,958	
43	£81,293	£82,106	
44	£82,435	£83,259	
45	£83,574	£84,410	
46	£84,715	£85,562	
47	£85,860	£86,719	
48	£86,995****	£87,865****	
49	£88,135****	£89,016****	
50	£89,275****	£90,168****	

**Notes**: Salary scales to consist of not more than four consecutive points, based on the duties and responsibilities attaching to posts and the need to recruit and motivate staff.

- normal minimum point for EIP undertaking the full range of duties at this level
- \*\* normal minimum point for senior EIP undertaking the full range of duties at this level
- \*\*\* normal minimum point for leading EIP undertaking the full range of duties at this level
- \*\*\*\* extension to range to accommodate structured professional assessments.

## NATIONAL PAY GRADES – JNC YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORKERS

NOTE: From  $1^{st}$  April 2014, those employed under the JNC for Youth and Community Workers will make a pay contribution equivalent to the monetary value of the difference between the penultimate and the maximum points of their respective pay grades as at  $1^{st}$  April 2014 – see Appendix J.

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT		
WORKER RANGE		
SPINE POINT	Pay – with effect from	Pay – with effect from 01.09.17
	01.09.16	
2	£15,507	£15,807
3	£16,117	£16,417
4	£16,681	£16,931
5	£17,241	£17,491
6	£17,828	£18,006
7	£18,450	£18,636
8	£19,069	£19,260
9	£19,856	£20,055
10	£20,472	£20,677
11	£21,467	£21,682
12	£22,441	£22,665
13	£23,445	£23,679
14	£24,485	£24,730
15	£24,194	£25,446
16	£25,935	£26,194
17	£26,662	£26,929
PROFESSI	ONAL RANGE	
SPINE POINT	Pay – with effect from	Pay – with effect from 01.09.17
	Pay – with effect from 01.09.16	
13	<b>01.09.16</b> £23,445	£23,679
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ANNUAL LEAVE				
(pro rata for part	: time employees)			
<ul> <li>Chief Executive</li> </ul>	34 days pa (includes one day allocated at Christmas)			
Chief Officers				
<ul> <li>Local Government Services</li> </ul>	32 days after 5 years service; 25 days pa initially (includes one day allocated at Christmas)			
✤ Soulbury	32 days after 5 years service; 25 days pa initially (includes one day allocated at Christmas)			
Youth & Community Workers	35 days after 5 years service; 30 days pa initially (includes one day allocated at Christmas)			
HOURS	DF WORK			
<ul> <li>Chief Executive</li> <li>Chief Officers</li> </ul>	Minimum of 37 hours per week, together with additional evening, weekend and bank holiday working as required			
<ul> <li>Local Government Services</li> </ul>				
✤ Soulbury	Standard working week is 37 hours			
Youth & Community Workers	DAVAAFAITC			
OVERTIME	PAYMENTS			
<ul> <li>Chief Executive</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Chief Officers</li> </ul>	None payable			
Soulbury				
✤ Local Government Services	Time plus 30% for weekdays and weekends; double time on Bank Holidays, except Christmas Day which is triple time			

## All Employee Groups - Main Conditions of Service

<ul> <li>Youth and Community Workers</li> </ul>	Time plus 30% for weekdays and weekends; double time on Bank Holidays
WEEKEND WOR	KING PAYMENTS
<ul> <li>Chief Executive</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Chief Officers</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Soulbury</li> </ul>	None payable
Youth & Community Workers	
Local Government Services	Time plus 30%
SICK PAT	
<ul> <li>Chief Executive</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Chief Officers</li> </ul>	1 month's full pay at commencement of employment, increasing year on year,
Local Government Services	after 5 years service, to up to 6 months at full pay, followed by up to 6 months at
✤ Soulbury	half pay
<ul> <li>Youth &amp; Community Workers</li> </ul>	

### APPENDIX F Neath Port Talbot Castell-nedd Port Talbot County Borough Council Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol



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#### 1. PURPOSE

- **1.1** To outline a revised scheme for Acting Up payments for Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council employees (with the exception of those employed under Teaching, Soulbury, Youth & Community Workers and JNC Chief Officer's terms and conditions of employment) from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008.
- **1.2** The revised Scheme harmonises the differing former Manual and APT&C Acting-up provisions under a single set of rules.

#### 2. PRINCIPLES

This scheme should adhere to the principles of the Equality of Opportunity in Employment Policy.

#### 3. DEFINITION OF ACTING UP

- **3.1** Acting up **applies** where an employee is formally requested to undertake the *full* duties and responsibilities of a higher graded post for a period of at least one day/shift.
- 3.2 Acting up does not apply where:-
  - (a) An employee or employees undertake(s) only partial duties and responsibilities of a higher graded post
  - (b) The duties and responsibilities are shared between more than one employee. The Honorarium Scheme provisions may cover these circumstances.
  - (c) There is a permanent change to the normal duties of a job. This may warrant a new or re-evaluation of the post.
  - (d) The post being covered is at the same pay grade. (*this may have an impact on current working practices as employees move from a pay point to pay grade*)
  - (e) There are formal deputising responsibilities, written into the job description, which have been taken into consideration when evaluating the post.

#### 4. PERIOD OF ACTING UP

- **4.1** Under this new Scheme all employees are eligible for an Acting-up payment if they are requested to carry out the full duties and responsibilities of the higher graded post from the first day/shift.
- **4.2** Where the employee is requested to act-up into a distinct and different post on day one e.g. Refuse Loader to Refuse Driver or Care Assistant to Care Officer, it is quite clear this situation comes within the definition of acting-up and the employee is entitled to the appropriate acting-up payment, perhaps for just one day or the hours of the shift.
- **4.3** In the office environment, in circumstances where an employee is absent for whatever reason and there may be a need for another employee to act-up into that role, to come within the scope of this Scheme, the employee must be formally requested to act-up and must take on the full duties/responsibilities of the higher graded post. In practical terms this may well not occur from day one in the office environment

#### 5. PAYMENT

- **5.1** The sum to be paid is the minimum rate of pay that would apply were the employee promoted to the higher graded post. It must be at least one increment higher. The payment will be effective from the first day on which the employee was required to undertake the duties and responsibilities of the higher graded post. The payment will be pro-rata for part-time employees based on the standard 37 hour week.
- **5.2** Where practical, the agreed Acting up arrangements and payment should be set out in writing to the employee, using the form attached (Payment Authorisation Form), stating the remuneration to be received and the anticipated length of the acting up period. If this period [by reference to date/s or circumstances] is subsequently extended, this should be confirmed in writing. Where this is not practical, because urgent arrangements need to be put into place to meet service delivery needs, Acting up arrangements can be confirmed by the line manager / supervisor verbally, authorised and certified for payment on the time-sheet and then followed up subsequently in writing, at a later date.

# 6. PROVISIONS TO COVER THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL 2008 TO THE DATE THE NEW SCHEME IS AGREED AND INTRODUCED

- **6.1** If the grade of the post the employee is acting-up into is **higher** than the grade the employee was paid under the "old" pay structure, the employee will receive the higher salary from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008.
- **6.2** If the grade of the post the employee is acting-up into is **lower** than the grade the employee was paid under the "old" pay structure, no action will be taken to recovery any "overpayment". However, a joint review of the acting-up arrangements will be undertaken by the line manager and employee as soon as practicable after the collective agreement is signed in order to decide whether to continue with the arrangements under the new Scheme provisions.
- **6.3** Similarly if more than one employee is receiving an Acting-up payment when this Scheme is introduced, which will not qualify under the provisions of the new Scheme, a joint review will be undertaken to determine whether the provisions of the new Honorarium Scheme, should supersede the Acting-up arrangements.

#### 7. MONITORING AND REVIEW

The Acting-up arrangements and payments will be monitored by the Head of Human Resources from an equality, diversity and cost effective perspective on an annual basis, to ensure that the Scheme is implemented in a non-discriminatory manner in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme. The trade unions will be consulted on the outcome of the annual monitoring/review exercise.

#### 8. GRIEVANCES

An employee can raise a grievance in connection with the application of this scheme via the Authority's Grievance Policy and Procedure.

# **Honoraria Payments Scheme**



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To outline a revised scheme for the payment of honoraria to Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council employees (with the exception of those employed under Teaching, Soulbury, Youth & Community Workers and Chief Officer's terms and conditions of employment) from the date the collective agreement is signed.

#### 2. EQUALITY PRINCIPLE

This scheme should adhere to the principles of the Equality of Opportunity in Employment Policy

#### 3. DEFINITION

- **3.1** An honoraria is a payment for:
  - duties outside the scope of an employee's normal role over an extended period, but not more than 12 months
  - duties or responsibilities which are within the scope of an employee's normal role but are temporarily exceptionally onerous
- **3.2** In both of the above circumstances, honorarium payments are to be initiated by the line manager and agreed in writing using the form attached (Payment Authorisation Form), in advance of these duties or responsibilities being undertaken.
- **3.3** Honoraria should not be used where there is a permanent change to the normal duties of a job or where an employee is requested to 'Act up' to cover a higher-graded post. In these circumstances the post should be assessed under the Council's Job Evaluation Scheme by being included within the Job Evaluation Questionnaire or an Acting Up payment should be set up.
- **3.4** Accelerated increments within an employee's pay scale should not be used instead of an honoraria payment. Increments can only be awarded in accordance with the criteria agreed under the NPT Pay and Grading Agreement. Individual managers do not have discretion to authorise increments and they will not be actioned for payment by the payroll section.

#### 4. PRINCIPLES OF APPLICATION

- 4.1.1 Honoraria should be treated as a one-off recognition or reward relating to a particular piece of work or circumstances as described in Section 3, [and should be paid as soon as possible after the completion of that task] **or** staged/regular payments where appropriate.
- 4.2 To ensure consistency across the Council the application and payment of honoraria must be in accordance with this Scheme.
- 4.3 The payment of honoraria should be exceptional rather than the expected norm.

#### 5. PAYMENT LEVELS

- **5.1** In deciding the level of payment to be made, the following should be taken into consideration:
  - The nature, scope and level of difficulty of the additional duties/responsibilities
  - The length of time involved
  - The impact on the employee's normal role
  - The level of 'new' learning for the employee
  - Current level of pay
  - The level of pay of a "comparator" post, where appropriate
- **5.2** As honoraria are meant to provide some flexibility for managers to recognise specific tasks, it is expected that payment will be made as soon as possible after successful completion of the task.
- **5.3** Where an employee is receiving regular honoraria payments linked to an additional or exceptionally onerous responsibility, this should be reviewed by the line manager on a regular basis and reference made to section 2 of this scheme.

# 6. PROVISIONS TO COVER THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL 2008 TO THE DATE THE NEW SCHEME IS AGREED AND INTRODUCED

- **6.1** The new provisions should apply as soon as practicable after the collective agreement has been signed.
- **6.2** The new provisions will not be reviewed retrospectively to see whether there is a retrospective entitlement, unless there are exceptional reasons for carrying out the review.
- **6.3** The position of those employees in receipt of an honorarium payment post April 2008, will be reviewed to determine whether the employee(s) are still eligible under the new provisions of the Scheme to determine whether the payment needs to be adjusted, again there will be no recovery of any "overpayment"

#### 7. MONITORING AND REVIEW

The Honoraria arrangements and payments will be monitored by the Head of Human Resources from an equality, diversity and cost effective perspective on an annual basis, to ensure that the Scheme is implemented in a non-discriminatory manner in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme. The trade unions will be consulted on the outcome of the annual monitoring/review exercise.

#### 8. GRIEVANCES

An employee can raise a grievance in connection with the application of this scheme via the Authority's Grievance Policy and Procedure.

## **APPENDIX G**

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## Market Pay Scheme

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#### 1. CONTEXT AND PURPOSE OF NPT MARKET PAY SCHEME

The use of a job evaluation system to create an equality-proofed pay and grading structure ensures that basic rates of pay are based on robust "internal pay relativities". This process may not always result in the consequential basic rates of pay reflecting the value of similar jobs in the wider labour market.

This Market Pay Scheme for Neath Port Talbot Council has been developed in the recognition that the Authority's services are delivered by employees who possess skills and experience which may sometimes be in short supply and, therefore, the use of market pay supplements is one measure which is available to safeguard the provision of such services.

The purpose of this Market Pay Scheme is to enable the Council to establish competitive rates of pay for specific posts which, do not attract a basic rate of pay which is sufficient to recruit and/or retain the number and quality of postholders required.

A key aim of this Scheme is to ensure that all market pay supplements are initially introduced, and subsequently operated, in a fair and consistent manner which avoids potential non-compliance with equal pay legislation.

In particular, there must be clear evidence that the basic rate of pay for a specific post determined by the Council's pay and grading structure is significantly less than the relevant market rate of pay for a similar post **and** also that there are recruitment and/or retention problems.

#### 2. NPT MARKET PAY SCHEME IMPLEMENTATION

This Scheme has been implemented alongside the existing NPT pay and grading structure and replaces all former arrangements for market pay supplements and recruitment/retention payments.

Market pay supplements will be applicable to specific post/s and are not intended to reflect the contribution or performance of individual postholders.

#### 3. SCOPE OF MARKET PAY SCHEME

Each post falling within the scope of the NJC for Local Government Services ("Green Book") will be eligible to attract a market pay supplement, but always subject to a satisfactory recruitment and/or retention business case being developed and approved.

#### 4. PREPARATION OF A MARKET PAY SUPPLEMENT BUSINESS CASE

Prior to a business case being developed in relation to a proposed market pay supplement, the "employing" Head of Service must satisfy him/herself that all other reasonable options have been considered, including a review of the skills, qualifications and experience needed for the post/s in question.

The Head of Human Resources will be responsible for researching the business case for the payment of a market pay supplement and will formally make a recommendation in response to the Head of Service who proposes any such payment in relation to a specific post.

The following criteria will be taken into account when considering if a business case exists for a market pay supplement to be payable:

- availability of relevant NPT workforce data/evidence to demonstrate the nature and extent of the recruitment and/or retention difficulties being experienced, or anticipated, at NPT
- the extent to which there may be an adverse effect on service delivery at NPT if a recruitment and/or retention difficulty is not addressed
- an assessment of the likely duration of the recruitment/retention difficulties being experienced – short term or longer
- > the availability of up to date and accurate market pay data from relevant

comparator organisations relating to the NPT post/s which are subject to recruitment and/or retention difficulties. Such data may be collected on a local, travel to work/regional or national basis, dependent upon the post/s involved.

an equality impact assessment must be completed as part of the business case.

Wherever possible, the market pay data from other organisations will comprise not only the basic rate of pay, but also other pay and non-pay benefits, including pension provisions.

Attached is the template business case that must be completed prior to any supplement being implemented.

#### 5. FUNDING

Market supplements will be funded by the "employing" Head of Service.

### 6. PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR MARKET PAY SUPPLEMENTS

Each approved market pay supplement will be a calculated static sum, which will not increase as a result of any national pay award or incremental progression.

Whilst the market pay supplement will not be included in "basic pay" and will not be taken into account in relation to the calculation of overtime hours worked or other pay allowances, it will be permissible for the market pay supplement to include an appropriate compensatory adjustment for premium rates of pay for contractual overtime and/or contractual unsocial hours working.

Market pay supplements will be shown separately on employees' payslips and will be subject to tax, NI and pension contributions in the normal way.

Market pay supplements will be paid in accordance with the employee's usual pay frequency.

If a postholder in receipt of a market pay supplement moves to an alternative post within the Council which does not attract a market pay supplement, the payment shall cease from the date on which the postholder leaves the post which attracts the pay supplement.

The supplement should ensure that the overall remuneration for the post(s) is sufficient to enable the recruitment and retention of staff and no higher.

#### 7. DURATION AND REVIEW OF INDIVIDUAL MARKET PAY SUPPLEMENTS

The duration of market pay supplements will be determined at the outset and should be set at the optimum level to recruit or retain staff, without committing to unnecessary long-term costs that cannot be justified financially or from an equal pay perspective. A market pay supplement will normally be for two years, unless there is a strong business case to justify a longer period. The details will be conveyed to the postholder/s concerned in writing.

The market pay supplement payable for each post will be reviewed at least a year prior to the end date of the supplement, by the employing Head of Service.

Where, at the time of the review, the business case to support the continued payment of a market pay supplement is no longer sustainable, the supplement shall be withdrawn and 12 months' notice of this given in writing.

Where a decision is made to withdraw the pay supplement from a specific category of post, this shall apply to all similar posts and their consequential postholders simultaneously.

When the payment has been approved, all employees receiving the supplement will be notified in writing of its approval and the conditions attached to its payment.

When advertising and recruiting to any post(s) for which a market supplement is paid, the supplement should be identified as a separate amount which is time-limited and subject to review.

Market supplements will not be subject to pay protection.

#### 8. AUTHORISATION PROCESS

**M**arket pay supplements will be considered, and authorised where appropriate, by the "employing" Head of Service following receipt of supporting information and a formal recommendation from the Head of Human Resources.

Designated NPT trade union representatives will be consulted regarding all proposed changes to market pay supplements.

#### 9. ORGANISATIONAL REVIEW OF MARKET PAY SUPPLEMENTS

An annual review will be undertaken of all market pay supplements being paid, in consultation with the trade unions, and the outcome reported to the Corporate Director Group and others, as appropriate.

#### **10. INTERPRETATION**

Any matters of interpretation arising from this Scheme will be determined by the Head of Human Resources, in consultation with designated trade union representatives.

Any employee who is aggrieved with the application of this Scheme is entitled to pursue his/her grievance in accordance with agreed procedures.

#### 11. TEMPLATE BUSINESS CASE

#### MARKET PAY SUPPLEMENT

#### POST TITLE

#### 1. Introduction

The purpose of the Council's Market Pay Scheme is to enable the Council to establish competitive rates of pay for specific posts which do not attract a basic rate of pay which is sufficient to recruit and / or retain the quality of postholder required.

The purpose of this paper is to **create/review** (delete as applicable) the market pay supplement applicable to the post of **POST TITLE**.

#### 2. Background

# PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF SUMMARY. THE SPECIFIC RATIONALE BEHIND THE PAYMENT SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN SECTION 5.

3. Current basic remuneration package

The post has been evaluated under the Council's Job Evaluation Scheme and awarded Grade \*\*,

SCP \*\* - \*\*, £ - £ per annum.

The allowances received per annum are variable, however at present are:

- Sleeping in allowance = £
- Weekend enhancement = £
- Standby = £

Total = £ per annum

Total remuneration package = f - f per annum

#### 4. Market Pay

Background to Market Pay Scheme

A market supplement is paid as an allowance and, in line with the Market Pay Scheme, is not taken into account in relation to the calculation of overtime hours worked or other pay allowances. It is however permissible for the market pay supplement to include an appropriate compensatory adjustment for premium rates of pay for contractual overtime and / or contractual unsocial hours working.

Market payments will be shown separately on employees' payslips and will be subject to tax, NI and pension contributions in the normal way.

Where, at the time of the review, the business case to support the continued payment of a market pay supplement is no longer sustainable, the supplement shall be withdrawn and 12 months' notice of this given in writing.

#### OUTLINE DETAILS OF CURRENT SUPPLEMENT IF APPLICABLE.

5. Business case for Market Supplement

OUTLINE ANY RECRUITMENT DIFFICULTIES, SERVICE PERFORMANCE ISSUES, DETAILS OF CONSULTATIONS WITH PROGESSIONAL BODIES ETC. AN EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT MUST FORM PART OF THE BUSINESS CASE.

6. Market Intelligence

Comparable market intelligence has been obtained:-

- o The POST OF is paid £ £.
- o The POST OF is paid £ plus an of \*\* = £
- o **IF APPLICABLE** Neither provision is in London (no London Weighting.)

7. Feedback from Potential Candidates (IF RELEVANT)

Feedback from potentially qualified and suitable candidates, informally approached to determine

whether or not they would be interested in applying for the **POST**, has determined that the remuneration package currently offered is not sufficient to attract a field of qualified, high calibre of applicants.

#### 8. Conclusion

Consideration has been given to the following:

• Difficulties attracting suitably qualified candidates to apply for the position evidenced through the failed recruitment campaign in **DATE**;

• The adverse effect on the service delivery and improvements if the recruitment difficulty is not addressed;

• The market pay intelligence that demonstrates that in comparable centres elsewhere in the UK, pay rates are considerably higher.

It is proposed, therefore, to offer/increase the Market Pay Supplement applicable to this post, and to bring the pay package into line with the job market. It is proposed to pay a supplement of  $\pounds$  per annum. This will provide a starting salary of  $\pounds$  per annum.

#### Terms

The market pay supplement will be paid as an allowance and will be shown separately on payslips. It will not be taken into account in relation to the calculation of overtime hours worked or other pay allowances. It will be subject to tax, NI and pension contributions in the normal way. The pay supplement will apply for a period of xxx years, and subject to review at the end of this period. Should the pay supplement be withdrawn at the time of review, 12 months' notice of this will be given in writing.

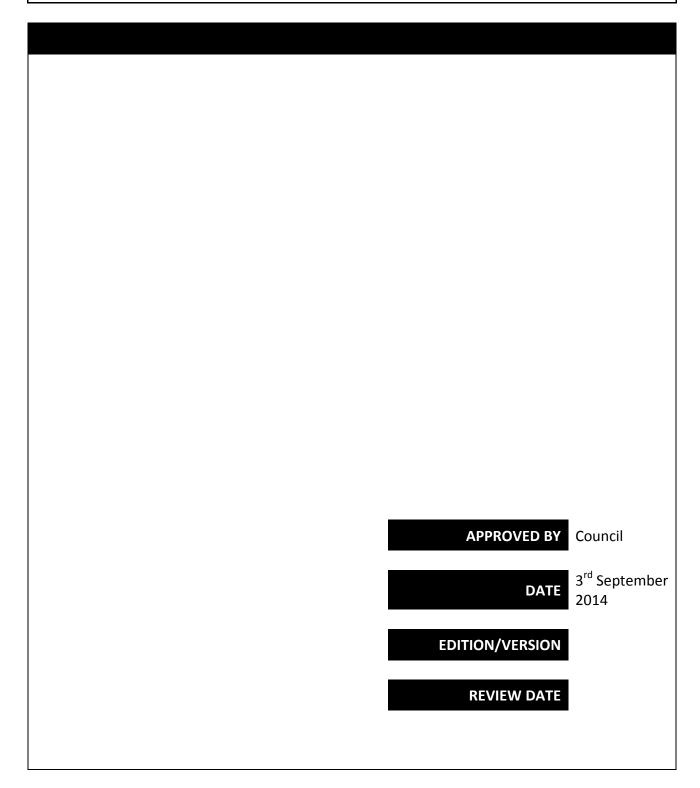
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Recruitment of Chief Executive and Chief Officers Officer Employment Procedure Rules

Human Resources



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#### **1. OFFICER EMPLOYMENT PROCEDURE RULES**

These Rules are designed to conform with the requirements of the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (Wales) Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") as amended by the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 ("the Amending Regulations"). Some of the Rules are also locally determined but in the event of any conflict with the Regulations, the latter shall prevail. The Rules covered by the Regulations cannot be amended other than by legislation. These Rules need to be read in conjunction with the full Regulations and Amending Regulations, copies of which are available from Legal Services.

In these Rules, the following terms have the meaning prescribed by the Regulations:

(a) "Chief Officer" means the Head of its Paid Service ; a statutory Chief Officer in paragraph (a), (c) or (d) of Section 2(6) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 ("the 1989 Act"); a non-statutory Chief Officer within the meaning of Section 2(7) of the 1989 Act above; the Monitoring Officer and Head of Democratic Services; and any reference to an appointment or purported appointment of a Chief Officer includes a reference to the engagement or purported engagement of such an Officer under a contract of employment.

(b) "Head of Paid Service" means the officer designated under Section 4(1) of the 1989 Act.

(c) "Chief Finance Officer" means the officer having responsibility for the purposes of Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972.

(d) "Monitoring Officer" means the officer designated under Section 5(1) of the 1989 Act.

(e) "Head of Democratic Service" means the officer designated under Section 8 of the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011.

(f) "Deputy Chief Officer" means a person within the meaning of Section 2(8) of the 1989 Act.

(g) "disciplinary action" in relation to a member of staff of the Council means any action occasioned by alleged misconduct which, if proved, would, according to the usual practice of the Council, be recorded on the member of staff's personal file, and includes any proposal for dismissal of a member of staff for any reason other than redundancy, permanent ill-health or infirmity of mind or body, but does not include failure to renew a contract of employment for a fixed term.<sup>1</sup>

(h) "member of staff " means a person appointed to or holding a paid office or employment, under the Council.

(i) "remuneration" has the same meaning as in Section 43(43) of the Localism Act 2011

#### 2. RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT

#### 2.1 Declarations

The Council will require any candidate for appointment to state in writing whether they are the parent, grandparent, partner, child, stepchild, adopted child, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece of an existing councillor or senior officer of the Council at Head of Service level or above; or of the partner of such persons.

#### 2.2 Seeking support for appointment.

- 2.2.1. The Council will disqualify any applicant who directly or indirectly seeks the support of any officer involved in the appointments process (other than as referee) or councillor, for any appointment with the Council. The content of this paragraph will be included in any recruitment information.
- 2.2.2. No councillor will seek support for any person for any appointment with the Council.
- 2.2.3. No councillor shall give a written or oral testimonial of the candidate's ability, experience or character for submission to the Council with an application for an appointment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This definition derives from Regulation 2 of the Regulations

- 3.1. Where the Council propose to appoint a Chief Officer within the terms of the Regulations and the remuneration which it proposes to pay to the Chief Officer is £100,000 or more per annum it shall take the steps set out in paragraph 3.2.3.
- 3.2. Where the Council proposes to appoint a Chief Officer and where it is not proposed to pay to the Chief Officer the remuneration mentioned in paragraph 3.1. and it is not proposed that the appointment be made exclusively from among its existing officers it shall take the steps set out in paragraph 3.2.3.
  - 3.2.3. The Council shall:-
    - (a) draw up a statement specifying -
      - (i) the duties of the officer concerned, and
      - (ii) any qualifications or qualities to be sought in the person to be appointed
    - (b) make arrangements for the post to be advertised in such a way as is likely to bring it to the attention of persons who are qualified to apply for it and
    - (c) make arrangements for a copy of the statement mentioned in paragraph (a) to be sent to any person on request.
  - 3.2.4. The requirement to advertise contained in paragraph 3.2.3. (b) does not apply where the proposed appointment under paragraph 3.1. is for a period of no longer than twelve months.
  - 3.3.1. Where the Chief Executive (acting on the advice of the Head of Human Resources) considers that the number of qualified applicants for a vacancy make it difficult for the Special Appointments Committee to prepare a final shortlist for consideration by Council then the Chief Executive may compile and submit an initial list of qualified applicants for consideration by the Special Appointments Committee.
  - 3.3.2. In exercising the delegation set out in rule 3.3.1. the Chief Executive shall consider the views of the Head of Human Resources, the Leader of Council and the Leader of the largest non-executive political group.
  - 3.3.3. In cases other than as set out in Rule 3.3.1. the Chief Executive shall refer all qualified applicants to the Special Appointments Committee.

- 3.3.4. The Special Appointments Committee shall either:-
  - (a) Refer all qualified applicants submitted to it by the Chief Executive to full Council for selection, or
  - (b) Compile a shortlist of qualified applicants from the qualified applicants submitted to it by the Chief Executive and refer that shortlist to full Council for selection.
- 3.4. The Special Appointments Committee shall be constituted in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 4 (2) of Part 2 of Schedule 3 of the Regulations which means that at least one member of the executive must be a member of that Committee, but not more than half of the members of the Committee are to be members of the executive.
- 3.5. The Council shall interview all applicants referred to it for interview by the Special Appointments Committee in accordance with Paragraph 3.3.4.
- 3.6. Where no qualified person has applied, or if the Council decides to readvertise the appointment, the Council may make further arrangements for advertisement in accordance with procedure rule 2.2(b).
- 3.7. Where the duties of a chief officer include the discharge of functions of two or more relevant authorities in pursuance of section 101(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 or section 20 Local Government Act 2000 and the authorities have agreed that it will be a joint appointment -
  - 3.7.1 the steps taken under paragraph 3.2.3., 3.3.4., 3.5. and 3.6. above may be taken by a joint committee of those relevant authorities, a subcommittee of that committee or a chief officer of any of the relevant authorities concerned.
  - 3.7.2 Any chief officer may be appointed by such a joint committee, a subcommittee of that committee or a committee or sub-committee of any of those relevant authorities.
- 3.8 The Council shall determine the level, and any change in the level, of remuneration to be paid to a Chief Officer
- 3.9. The full Council shall make all decisions relating to the appointment of the Head of Paid Service.

#### 4. APPOINTMENT OF MONITORING OFFICER AND DEPUTY CHIEF OFFICERS

- 4.1 The Special Appointments Committee will shortlist applicants and appoint the Monitoring Officer and Deputy Chief Officers (i.e. in Neath Port Talbot the Heads of Service). The relevant Regulatory Committee Chair may also attend the Committee in an advisory capacity.
- 4.2 The Special Appointments Committee shall be constituted in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 4 (2) of Part 2 of Schedule 3 of the Regulations which means that at least one member of the executive must be a member of that Committee, but not more than half of the members of the Committee are to be members of the executive.

#### 5. OTHER APPOINTMENTS

5.1 The function of appointment of a member of staff of the Council (other than Chief Officers, Deputy Chief Officers, and persons to whom regulations made under Section 35(4) and (5) of the Education Act 2002 apply – teachers and other staff of schools) must be discharged, on behalf of the Council, by the Head of Paid Service or by an officer nominated by the Head of Paid Service. Accordingly, the following shortlisting and appointment arrangements shall apply in respect of all appointments below Deputy Chief Officer level:

#### <u>Posts</u>

<u>Method</u>

With pay scale commencing at scp 39 and above, or equivalent.

Chief Officer or Deputy Chief Officer

With pay scale commencing at scp 38 and below, or equivalent Chief Officer or Deputy Chief Officer or Accountable Manager or Line Manager

#### Other appointment provisions

5.2 The starting salary for all posts, other than those graded in accordance with salary scale 1, will normally be at the minimum point of the scale, but the starting point may be other than the minimum at the discretion of the authorised Officer making the appointment.

- 5.3 For appointments of:-
  - 5.3.1. Officers and Assistant Officers in Charge of Residential children's establishments and
  - 5.3.2. basic grade social workers working with children,

these appointments are to be carried out by a Panel of three Officers in accordance with the recommendations as set out in the Adrianne Jones and Warner Reports.

- 5.4 For joint appointments with schools, representative Headteachers will be involved in the appointment at shortlisting and interview stages.
- 5.5 The Director of Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning is also required to give statutory advice to School Governing Bodies on the appointment and dismissal of persons to whom regulations made under section 35(4) and (5) of the Education Act 2002 apply.

## **APPENDIX I**

# **ER/VR/CR** Scheme



Neath Port Talbot Castell-nedd Port Talbot County Borough Council Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol

Human Resources

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#### 1. SCOPE

This Scheme is applicable to all NPT Council employees, including those appointed and managed by School Governing Bodies, with the exception of those employed under teaching terms and conditions for whom a separate scheme operates.

#### 2. VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY (VR)

The Council may, from time to time, in accordance with the needs of the service and within a specified period, invite expressions of interest in voluntary redundancy (VR) as part of its Workforce Strategy to reduce employee costs. It is unlikely that all volunteers will be allowed to leave the Council's employment under this Scheme as the Council will have an ongoing need to retain employees with the necessary skills and competencies to both deliver and transform a range of services.

The Council will consider "bumped" redundancies, where appropriate. In these circumstances, employees may apply for voluntary redundancy, thereby making available their post for employees with transferable skills whose job has or will become redundant and who do not wish to leave the employment of the Council. Such "bumping" of a redundancy will be considered across service areas, with appropriate funding arrangements being agreed by the Heads of Service or Head teachers involved.

All VR expressions of interest will be considered at management's sole discretion, based on a robust business case (including the cost of any consequential organisational/pay grade changes). All VR expressions of interest will need to be authorised by the relevant Head of Service and Directorate Management Team.

The Council's grievance procedure will not apply in the case of VR, but the Head of Human Resources has an advisory and monitoring role in this respect.

#### 3. EARLY RETIREMENT (ER)

Applications for Early Retirement (ER), where a job loss does not take place, will be granted in exceptional circumstances only, and on the basis of "in the interests of efficiency of the service" (due to the range of alternative, and usually more cost-effective, measures available to manage capability issues). All such ER decisions will be subject to a robust business case (including the cost of any consequential organisational/pay grade changes) being approved by the relevant Head of Service and Directorate Management Team, or Head teacher and School Governing Body, as appropriate.

The Council's grievance procedure will not apply in the case of ER, but the Head of Human Resources has an advisory and monitoring role in this respect.

#### 4. FLEXIBLE RETIREMENT

The Council's Flexible Retirement Policy will remain available to eligible employees alongside this ER/VR/CR Scheme, as will Teachers Pension Scheme (TPS) phased retirement provisions.

#### 5. COMPULSORY REDUNDANCY (CR)

It is the Council's policy to prevent compulsory redundancies from arising to the greatest extent possible. However, where unavoidable, selection for compulsory redundancy (CR) will take place in accordance with relevant management of change and associated employment policies.

#### 6. SCHEME PAYMENTS, COSTS AND FUNDING (ER/VR/CR)

#### **VR and CR Payments**

Subject to the total cost to the Council of early release of pension and/or severance payment being limited to the equivalent of 52 weeks' pay for the employee concerned (see Note 1), the following provisions will apply in cases of Voluntary Redundancy (VR) and Compulsory Redundancy (CR):

early release of pension for "qualifying" employees (see Note 2);

lump sum **statutory redundancy payment** (see Note 3), using the 30 week Statutory Redundancy table (Appendix A);

Lump sum **discretionary compensation payment**, using the Council's 50 week table (Appendix B), (reduced by the statutory redundancy payment referred to above).

Where the total cost of early access to pension and the cost of statutory redundancy payments equates to more than 52 weeks' pay, the payback period may be extended "up to 104 weeks", but subject to only early access to pension plus statutory redundancy pay being applicable (i.e. no discretionary severance payment)

#### **ER Payments**

Subject to **the total cost to the Council of early release of pension being limited to the equivalent of 52 weeks' pay** (see Note 1), the following will apply in cases of Early Retirement (ER): Early release of pension for "qualifying" employees (see Note 2).

#### ER, VR and CR Funding

Early retirement, statutory redundancy and discretionary compensation payment costs will all be met by the employing Directorate, with the exception of school Governing Bodies where the costs will be met from a separately identified element of schools' delegated budgets.

Any severance package in respect of early termination of employment that exceeds a threshold of £100,000 must be approved beforehand by Full Council.

#### 7. OTHER ER/VR/CR PROVISIONS

In cases of **compulsory redundancy (CR)**, there will be a presumption that employees will continue to be employed during the statutory notice period, particularly as this will maximise the prospects of potential redeployment. Employees in this situation must arrange to take any outstanding annual leave during the notice period but, if not practicable and certified accordingly by the relevant Head of Service, an employee will be paid for any untaken annual leave which remains outstanding on expiry of the notice period. Any annual leave entitlement exceeded will be recovered from pay. Exceptionally, pay in lieu of notice, which is subject to tax and National Insurance, may be granted.

Employees leaving the Council's employment on the grounds of **ER or VR** will do so on the basis of a **mutually agreed termination date**, with no notice period being **applicable on either side** and with **no extra payment being made** for any outstanding holidays, time off in lieu or flexi leave.

Statutory notice provisions in relation to teachers will apply, as appropriate.

Employees who leave the Council's employment on the grounds of early retirement (ER) or voluntary redundancy (VR) will be "retirees" and will, therefore, normally be precluded from returning to any paid temporary or permanent NPT Council employment (which includes schools). However, in exceptional circumstances, re-employment may be permitted if the "employing" Head of Service is able to provide a robust business case for doing so which is acceptable to the Director of Finance & Corporate Services and Head of Human Resources, in consultation with the relevant trade union/s.

#### 8. NOTES

**Note 1:** All employees who are made redundant are entitled to a statutory redundancy payment (see Note 3 below).

"Qualifying" employees are also entitled to early release of pension if their employment is terminated on the grounds of redundancy (or in the interest of efficiency of the service). Statutory redundancy payments may be enhanced through the payment of discretionary compensation payments and will be calculated having regard to the total cost of:

- (a) early release of pension,
- (b) statutory redundancy payments and
- (c) discretionary compensation payments not exceeding in total the equivalent of 52 weeks' pay for the employee concerned.

For example, where an employee's entitlement under the 50 week table takes the total cost above the value of his/her annual pay, the number of weeks of redundancy and/or discretionary compensation payments and/or the weekly pay calculator rate will be adjusted downwards as necessary.

The definition of a "week's pay" will be in accordance with statutory provisions for redundancy pay calculation purposes.

In summary, this will be the gross amount payable for a week's work in accordance with the employee's contract of employment as applicable on the "calculation date", which will be the pay period immediately preceding the first day of his/her notice period. If an employee's remuneration is variable, a 12 weekly average will be calculated. Sections 220 to 229 and Section 234 of ERA 1996 further define the calculation of a "week's pay".

**Note 2:** "**Qualifying**" generally means aged 55 years, or over, with 3 months' membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS). The definition of "qualifying" is covered by LGPS Regulations and may change as a result of future legislative changes. Employees in the Teachers' Pensions Scheme (TPS) have a different qualifying period (usually 2 years). The TPS is a statutory scheme and may also change as a result of future legislative changes. Access to pension for teachers before age 60, without actuarial reduction, is at the discretion of Neath Port Talbot Council.

**Note 3:** To use the statutory redundancy table in Appendix A, firstly look up the employee's age and number of years' continuous service with the Council (& its predecessor authorities). Where the two intersect on the table, this is the number of weeks' pay which becomes payable. The "week's pay" to be used to calculate the lump sum statutory redundancy payment will be in accordance with statutory provisions (maximum of £479 per week with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016).

# Appendix A

STATUTORY REDUNDANCY TABLE

	STATUTORY REDUNDANCY TABLE																		
Age	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
17	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	1	11/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19	1	11/2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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22	1	11/2	2	21/2	3	31/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23	11/2	2	21/2	3	31/2	4	41/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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33	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	111/2	12	121/2	13	131⁄2	14	141/2	-	-
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35	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	131/2	14	141/2	15	151/2	16	161/2
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43	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
44	3	41/2	51/2	61/2	71/2	81/2	91/2	101/2	111/2	121/2	131/2	141/2	151/2	161⁄2	171⁄2	181/2	191/2	201/2	211/2
45	3	41/2	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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47	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>4</b> 8	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	111/2	121/2	131/2	141/2	151/2	161/2	171/2	181/2	191/2	201/2	211/2	221/2	231/2
49	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
50	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	141/2	151/2	161/2	171/2	181/2	191/2	201/2	211/2	221/2	231/2	241/2
51	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
52	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2		161/2	171/2	181/2	191/2	201/2	211/2	221/2	231/2	241/2	251/2
53	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161/2	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
54	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161⁄2	18	191/2	201/2	211/2	221/2	231/2	241/2	251/2	261/2
55	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161⁄2	18	191/2	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
56	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161/2	18	191/2	21	221/2	231/2	241/2	251/2	261/2	271/2
57	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161⁄2	18	191/2	21	221/2	24	25	26	27	28
58	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161/2	18	191/2	21	221/2	24	251/2	261/2	271/2	281/2
59	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161/2	18	191⁄2	21	221/2	24	251/2	27	28	29
60	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161/2	18	191/2	21	221/2	24	251/2	27	281/2	291/2
61+	3	41/2	6	71/2	9	101/2	12	131/2	15	161⁄2	18	191/2	21	221/2	24	251/2	27	281/2	30
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### 50 WEEK DISCRETIONARY COMPENSATION PAYMENTS TABLE

Age	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
17	1.67	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	-	•	•	-	-	•	-
18	1.67	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19	1.67	2.5	3.33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	1.67	2.5	3.33	4.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	1.67	2.5	3.33	4.17	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	1.67	2.5	3.33	4.17	5	5.83	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23	2.5	3.33	4.17	5	5.83	6.67	7.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24	3.33	4.17	5	5.83	6.67	7.5	8.33	9.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	3.33	5	5.83	6.67	7.5	8.33	9.17	10	10.83	-	-	-	-	<u> </u>	-	· ·	-	· ·	-
26	3.33	5	6.67	7.5	8.33	9.17	10	10.83	11.67	12.5	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	•	-
27	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	9.17	10	10.83	11.67	12.5	13.33	14.17	-	-	•	•	· ·	-	•	•
28	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	10.83	11.67	12.5	13.33	14.17	15	15.83	-	•	•	•	-	•	•
29	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	12.5	13.33	14.17	15	15.83	16.7	17.5	•	•	•	•	•	•
30	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	14.17	15	15.83	16.7	17.5	18.33	19.17					
31	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	15.83	16.7	17.5	18.33	19.17	20	20.83	-	•	•	•
32	3.33	5	6.67 6.67	8.33	10	11.67 11.67	13.33 13.33	15 15	16.7 16.7	17.5 18.33	18.33 19.17	19.17	20	20.83	21.67	22.5	24.17		-
34	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	20.83	20.83	22.5	22.5	23.33	24.17	25.83	-
35	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	22.5	23.33	24.17	24.17	25.83	26.67	27.5
36	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	24.17	24.17	25.83	26.67	27.5	28.33
37	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	25.83	26.67	27.5	28.33	29.17
38	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	27.5	28.33	29.17	30
39	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	28.33	29.17	30	30.83
40	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	28.33	30	30.83	31.67
41	3.33	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	28.33	30	31.67	32.5
42	4.17	5.83	7.5	9.17	10.83	12.5	14.17	15.83	17.5	19.17	20.83	22.5	24.17	25.83	27.5	29.17	30.83	32.5	34.17
43	5	6.67	8.33	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	28.33	30	31.67	33.33	35
44	5	7.5	9.17	10.83	12.5	14.17	15.83	17.5	19.17	20.83	22.5	24.17	25.83	27.5	29.17	30.83	32.5	34.17	35.83
45	5	7.5	10	11.67	13.33	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	28.33	30	31.67	33.33	35	36.67
46	5	7.5	10	12.5	14.17	15.83	17.5	19.17	20.83	22.5	24.17	25.83	27.5	29.17	30.83	32.5	34.17	35.83	37.5
47	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	16.7	18.33	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	28.33	30	31.67	33.33	35	36.67	38.33
48	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	19.17	20.83	22.5	24.17	25.83	27.5	29.17	30.83	32.5	34.17	35.83	37.5	39.17
49	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	21.67	23.33	25	26.67	28.33	30	31.67	33.33	35	36.67	38.33	40
50	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	24.17	25.83	27.5	29.17	30.83	32.5	34.17	35.83	37.5	39.17	40.83
51	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	26.67	28.33	30	31.67	33.33	35	36.67	38.33	40	41.67
52	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	29.17	30.83	32.5	34.17	35.83	37.5	39.17	40.83	42.5
53	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30	31.67	33.33	35	36.67	38.33	40	41.67	43.33
54	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30	32.5	34.17	35.83	37.5	39.17	40.83	42.5	44.17
55	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30	32.5	35	36.67	38.33	40 82	41.67	43.33	45
56 57	5	7.5	10 10	12.5	15 15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30 30	32.5	35	37.5	39.17	40.83	42.5	44.17 45	45.83
57	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30	32.5	35	37.5	40	41.67	43.33	45.83	46.67
59	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30	32.5	35	37.5	40	42.5	44.17	46.67	47.5
60	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30	32.5	35	37.5	40	42.5	45	40.07	49.17
61+	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	17.5	20	22.5	25	27.5	30	32.5	35	37.5	40	42.5	45	47.5	50
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#### Workforce Strategy Collective Agreement 2013 – key pay impacts

- In relation to those employed under the NJC for Local Government Services, a revised pay and grading structure was been implemented, impacting on those employed in pay grades 5 to 11 inclusive. The maximum point of each pay grade was deleted, and those employees on the maximum point on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 were assimilated to the penultimate point. This revised arrangement will apply for a fixed period of four years, commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 and expiring on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.
- 2) The assimilation of employees into the revised pay and grading structure on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 is being phased in by way of the Council retaining the equivalent of half of each employee's annual national pay award each year [that a pay award is given] until the monetary value of the current penultimate point of each pay grade catches up with the current maximum point, or until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018, whichever is the earlier date. This will be applied to the national pay award of 1% which is effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.
- 3) It was also agreed that those employed under the NJC for Local Government Services, in Grades 12 and 13, will make a pay contribution equivalent to the monetary value of the difference between the penultimate and the maximum points of their respective pay grades as at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014. This pay contribution applies to all employees within the pay grades concerned, and not just those on the maximum of their pay grade.
- 4) Pay contributions are being funded by the Council retaining the equivalent of half of each employee's annual national pay award each year [that a pay award is given] from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 onwards, until the pay contribution has been completed, or until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018, whichever is the earlier date. This will be applied to the national pay award of 1% which is effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.
- 5) Similar Pay Contribution arrangements were agreed for all employees within the scope of the Soulbury Agreement, the JNC for Youth and Community Workers, the JNC for Chief Officers and the JNC for Chief Executives. In the case of the Chief Executive, it was agreed that the whole of any national pay award will be retained each year [that a pay award is given].