

INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, BOOTLE ON WEDNESDAY 21ST DECEMBER, 2011

PRESENT: Canon Roger Driver (in the Chair)
Mr. Steve Dickson and Mrs. Susan Lowe

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Parry
Mrs. M. Carney, Chief Executive
Ms. A. Grant, Head of Governance and Civic
Services
Mr. P. Fraser, Senior Committee Administrator

11. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

12. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That subject to Minute No. 10 (Members' Allowance Scheme) being amended by the addition of the following:

“(2) the Head of Governance and Civic Services be requested to put in place arrangements to increase the membership of the Panel to 5 members, with the quorum of the Panel remaining 3 members”

the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2011 be confirmed as a correct record.

13. MEMBERS' ALLOWANCE SCHEME

Further to Minute No. 10 of the Meeting held on 29 November 2011, the Panel considered further the Members' Allowance Scheme for 2012/13.

In addition, the Panel considered oral representations on the matter from the Conservative Party Group Leader, Councillor Parry.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the Panel notes the increased workload undertaken by Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committees;
- (2) the Panel also notes the differing roles, responsibilities and time spent on duties by Cabinet Member portfolio spokespersons;
- (3) accordingly, the Panel acknowledges the potential to reflect the matters referred to in (1) and (2) above in a review of the Members'

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Allowance Scheme following the local government elections in May 2012; and

- (4) an induction/refresh session be arranged for new/existing Panel Members in early March 2012 and a formal, further meeting of the Panel be arranged in early April 2012.