# **Statutory Pay Policy 2022**

Committee considering report:	Council
Date of Committee:	17/3/22
Portfolio Member:	Councillor Howard Woollaston
Date Service Director/ Head of Service agreed report: (for Corporate Board)	17/1/22
Date Portfolio Member agreed report:	10/2/22
Report Author:	Rebecca Bird
Forward Plan Ref:	

### **1 Purpose of the Report**

To seek Council's approval of the Statutory Pay Policy Statement for publication from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

# 2 Recommendation(s)

To seek Council's approval of the Statutory Pay Policy Statement for publication from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.

# 3 Implications and Impact Assessment

Implication	Commentary
Financial:	None
Human Resource:	The report details the HR implications within it
Legal:	This report satisfies the Localism Act 2011 in respect of a pay policy statement
Risk Management:	None
Property:	None

Policy:	Localism Act 2011			
	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Commentary
Equalities Impact:		х		
A Are there any aspects of the proposed decision, including how it is delivered or accessed, that could impact on inequality?		Х		
<b>B</b> Will the proposed decision have an impact upon the lives of people with protected characteristics, including employees and service users?		х		
Environmental Impact:		х		
Health Impact:		Х		
ICT Impact:		х		
Digital Services Impact:		Х		
Council Strategy Priorities:		Х		
Core Business:		Х		
Data Impact:		х		The Council is obligated to publish this anonymised salary data by the Localism Act 2011.
Consultation and Engagement:	Corpo	orate B	oard, C	Operations Board, Personnel Committee

# 4 **Executive Summary**

- 4.1 Section 38 of the Localism Act 2011 requires local authorities to publish an annual pay policy statement. The method of publication is at the discretion of the authority, but it is expected to comply with the principles set out in the Local Government Transparency Code. The statement must be approved by the full Council.
- 4.2 Council approved the annual publication of the statement, in principle, on 1st March 2012. This report seeks Council's for approval, for publication of the 2022 Pay Policy Statement (attached at appendix C) with effect from 1st April 2022.
- 4.3 The statement should set out the policies in relation to;
  - (a) Remuneration of its chief officers
  - (b) The remuneration of its lowest paid employees (and our definition and reasons for defining it)
  - (c) The relationship between the remuneration of its chief officers and those who are not chief officers
- 4.4 The definition of chief officers includes the Chief Executive, the Monitoring Officer, the Section 151 Officer, Executive Directors, as well as those who report directly to any of these post holders. Thus, in West Berkshire Council, this definition would include all Service Directors and Heads of Service.
- 4.5 Chief Officer remuneration includes salary, bonuses, performance-related pay, fees or allowances (including as returning officer), benefits in kind, etc. The policy should also state how chief officer salary will be determined on appointment and any arrangements for payments upon leaving office.
- 4.6 The figures in the policy statement in italics will be revised once the pay award has been implemented, as their calculation relies on the HR information system.

# 5 Conclusion

The Pay Policy Statement attached as Appendix C should be published on the Council website with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022, to comply with our statutory duty under the Localism Act.

# 6 Appendices

Appendix A – Equalities Impact Assessment

- Appendix B Data Impact Assessment
- Appendix C Draft Statutory Pay Policy 2022

# Subject to Call-In:

Yes: 🗌 No: 🖂

The item is due to be referred to Council for final approval	$\boxtimes$
Delays in implementation could have serious financial implications for the Council	
Delays in implementation could compromise the Council's position	
Considered or reviewed by Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee or associated Task Groups within preceding six months	
Item is Urgent Key Decision	
Report is to note only	

### Wards affected: All

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# Appendix A

<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>	(EqIA) - Stage One
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What is the proposed decision that you are asking the Executive to make:	To seek Council's approval of the Statutory Pay Policy Statement for publication from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022.
Summary of relevant legislation:	Section 38 of the Localism Act 2011 requires local authorities to publish an annual pay policy statement. The method of publication is at the discretion of the authority, but it is expected to comply with the principles set out in the Local Government Transparency Code. The statement must be approved by the full Council.
Does the proposed decision conflict	Yes 🗌 No X
with any of the Council's priorities for	If yes, please indicate which priority and
improvement?	provide an explanation
<ul> <li>Ensure our vulnerable children and adults achieve better outcomes</li> <li>Support everyone to reach their full potential</li> <li>Support businesses to start develop and thrive in West Berkshire</li> <li>Develop local infrastructure including housing to support and grow the local economy Maintain a green district</li> <li>Ensure sustainable services through innovation and partnerships</li> </ul>	
Name of Budget Holder:	
Name of Service/Directorate:	Strategy & Governance
Name of assessor:	Rebecca Bird
Date of assessment:	25/01/21
Version and release date (if applicable):	

Is this a ?		Is this policy, strategy, function or service ?	
Policy	Yes 🗌 No X	New or proposed	Yes 🗌 No X

Strategy	Yes 🗌 No X	Already exists and is being reviewed	YesX No 🗌
Function	Yes 🗌 No X	Is changing	Yes 🗌 No X
Service	Yes 🗌 No X		

(1) What are the main aims, objectives and intended outcomes of the proposed decision and who is likely to benefit from it?		
Aims:	To meet statutory obligations in relation to pay transparency.	
Objectives:	To publish a statutory pay policy following Council approval.	
Outcomes:	Published policy meeting statutory obligations	
Benefits:		

# (2) Which groups might be affected and how? Is it positively or negatively and what sources of information have been used to determine this?

(Please demonstrate consideration of all strands – Age, Disability, Gender Reassignment, Marriage and Civil Partnership, Pregnancy and Maternity, Race, Religion or Belief, Sex and Sexual Orientation)

Group Affected	What might be the effect?	Information to support this
Age		
Disability		
Gender Reassignment		
Marriage and Civil Partnership		
Pregnancy and Maternity		
Race		
Religion or Belief		
Sex		
Sexual Orientation		
Further Comments:		
No direct impacts		

(3) Result

Are there any aspects of the proposed decision, including how it is delivered or accessed, that could contribute to inequality?	Yes 🗌 No X	
Please provide an explanation for your answer: Pay transparency is just reporting on actual pay for certain posts.		
Will the proposed decision have an adverse impact upon the lives of people, including employees and service users?	Yes 🗌 No X	
Please provide an explanation for your answer: Pay transparency is just reporting on actual pay for certain posts.		

If your answers to question 2 have identified potential adverse impacts and you have answered 'yes' to either of the sections at question 3, or you are unsure about the impact, then you should carry out a EqIA 2.

If an EqIA 2 is required, before proceeding you should discuss the scope of the Assessment with service managers in your area. You will also need to refer to the EqIA guidance and template - <u>http://intranet/index.aspx?articleid=32255</u>.

(4) Identify next steps as appropriate:	
EqIA Stage 2 required	Yes 🗌 No 🗌
Owner of EqIA Stage Two:	
Timescale for EqIA Stage Two:	

Name:

Date:

Please now forward this completed form to Pamela Voss, Equality and Diversity Officer (pamela.voss@westberks.gov.uk), for publication on the WBC website.

# **Appendix B**

# **Data Protection Impact Assessment – Stage One**

The General Data Protection Regulations require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) for certain projects that have a significant impact on the rights of data subjects.

Should you require additional guidance in completing this assessment, please refer to the Information Management Officer via <u>dp@westberks.gov.uk</u>

Directorate:	Resources
Service:	Strategy & Governance
Team:	HR
Lead Officer:	Rebecca Bird
Title of Project/System:	Statutory Pay Policy 2022
Date of Assessment:	14/1/22

#### Do you need to do a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)?

	Yes	No
Will you be processing SENSITIVE or "special category" personal data?		X
Note – sensitive personal data is described as " data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, and the processing of genetic data, biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person, data concerning health or data concerning a natural person's sex life or sexual orientation"		
Will you be processing data on a large scale?		X
Note – Large scale might apply to the number of individuals affected OR the volume of data you are processing OR both		
Will your project or system have a "social media" dimension?		x
Note – will it have an interactive element which allow susers to communicate directly with one another?		
Will any decisions be automated?		x
Note – does your systemor process involve circumstances where an individual's input is "scored" or assessed without intervention/review/checking by a human being? Will there be any "profiling" of data subjects?		

	Yes	No
Will your project/system involve CCTV or monitoring of an area accessible to the public?		X
Will you be using the data you collect to match or cross-reference against another existing set of data?		X
Will you be using any novel, or technologically advanced systems or processes?		x
Note – this could include biometrics, "internet of things" connectivity or anything that is currently not widely utilised		

If you answer "Yes" to any of the above, you will probably need to complete Data <u>Protection Impact Assessment - Stage Two</u>. If you are unsure, please consult with the Information Management Officer before proceeding.

# Appendix C

# **Statutory Pay Policy 2022**

See attached.