

**Decision Maker:** COUNCIL

**Date:** Monday 26 February 2024

**Decision Type:** Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

**Title:** MEMBERS ALLOWANCES SCHEME 2024/25

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**Ward:** All

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1. Reason for decision/report and options

- 1.1 The regulations governing Members' Allowances require that, before the beginning of each financial year, the Council should make a scheme of allowances for that year; the Scheme has to be agreed by full Council. At its meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 the General Purposes and Licensing Committee considered the attached report and agreed that a 3% increase should be recommended to Council for all Member Allowances, including the Mayoral Allowances, in line with the proposed increase for Council staff.
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2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) **The Members Allowances Scheme 2024/25 (appendix 2 to the report) be approved on the basis of a 3% increase in line with the proposed increase for officers.**
- (2) **The Mayoral and Deputy Mayoral Allowances be increased by 3% to £16,946 and £4,157 respectively.**

## Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children

1. Summary of Impact: Not Applicable

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## Transformation Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy
2. Making Bromley Even Better Priority:  
(5) To manage our resources well, providing value for money, and efficient and effective services for Bromley's residents.

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## Financial

1. Cost of proposal: (2023/24) £1,219k
2. Ongoing costs: Recurring Cost
3. Budget head/performance centre: Democratic Representation – Members Allowances  
Mayoral & Civic Hospitality – Mayoral Allowances
4. Total current budget for this head: £1,210k
5. Source of funding: Revenue Budget

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## Personnel

1. Number of staff (*current and additional*): Not Applicable
2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: Not Applicable

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## Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory Requirement: (See section 5 of the attached report)
2. Call-in: Not Applicable: This report does not involve an executive decision.

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## Procurement

1. Summary of Procurement Implications: Not Applicable

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## Property

1. Summary of Property Implications: Not Applicable

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## Carbon Reduction and Social Value

1. Summary of Carbon Reduction/Sustainability Implications: Not Applicable

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## Impact on the Local Economy

1. Summary of Local Economy Implications: Not Applicable

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## Impact on Health and Wellbeing

1. Summary of Health and Wellbeing Implications: Not Applicable

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## Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users or customers (*current and projected*): Not Applicable

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## Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Not Applicable
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Not Applicable

<b>Non-Applicable Headings:</b>	Impact on Vulnerable Adults and Children/Policy/ Personnel/Procurement/Property/Carbon Reduction/Local Economy/Customers/Ward Councillors
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	See attached report